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GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE,
1792-1899.

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1791-1936

Correspondence, 1792-1904

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U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860 / FEBRUARY - REPORTS

prior to the 19th March 1859
VI Gold coins of Branch Mint at San Francisco
Subsequent to 19th March 1859.

Granulations were taken from the
mettings of silver as follows
No I. Silver coins of the U.S. Mint at Phila.
No II Silver coins of the Branch Mint at New Orleans
No III Silver coins of the Branch Mint at San Francisco
Subsequent to the 19th March 1859
No IV Silver coins of the Branch Mint at San Francis-
co prior to the 19th March 1859.
No V Silver dollar coined at U.S. Mint at Philadel.
No VI Silver dollar coined at Branch Mint at N. Orleans
No VII. Silver dollars coined at Branch Mint at San -
Francisco Subsequent to 19th March 1859.

The test samples selected by your committee from
the particular ^{Gold} coins for separate assays were as
follows.

Dahlonaga Half Eagle
Charlotte Half Eagle
San Francisco Double Eagle prior to 19th March 1859
San Francisco Eagle Subsequent to 19 March 1859
San Francisco Half Eagle Subsequent to 19 March 1859
Philadelphia Double Eagle
Philadelphia Half Eagle
Philadelphia Three dollar piece
San Francisco Double Eagle Subsequent to 19th March 1859.

The test samples selected by your committee
from the particular silver coins for separate assays
were as follows.

Philadelphia Quarter dollar
Philadelphia Half dollars

San Francisco half dollar Subsequent to 19 March
 San Francisco $\frac{1}{4}$ dollars Subsequent to 19 March
 Phil^a dime
 New Orleans dime
 New Orleans half dollar.

Having thus taken the test samples from the several meltings of gold and silver coins, and from the particular coins selected for assaying they proceeded to arrange the same by numbers so that the respective places of coinage were known only to the committee, as provided in rule VIII G. The test samples thus arranged were then handed to the assayer who assayed them under the immediate observation and supervision of the committee.

The gold was divided into two assays for convenience and resulted as follows.

First assay of Gold.

No 1. $\frac{1}{2}$ Specimen of San Francisco Mass since 19 March 1859.	900.2
No 2 Philadelphia mass	900.00
No 3 Charlotte mass	899.7
No 4 Dahlonega "	900.0
5 Proof	
6 Dahlonega $\frac{1}{2}$ Eagle	899.1
7 Charlotte $\frac{1}{2}$ Eagle	899.8
8 Phila Double Eagle	900.-
9 S. F Double Eagle Subsequent to 19 March	899.5

Second Assay of Gold.

No 1. San F. Mass 2nd Specimen subsequent to 19 March.	900.-
No 2 New Orleans Mass	899.5
No 3 San F. Mass prior to 19 March 1859	900.-
No 4 " " Double Eagle prior to 19 March 1859	900.1
5 Proof.	
6. San Francisco Eagle subsequent to 19 March 1859	900.2
7 San Francisco $\frac{1}{2}$ Eagle subsequent to 19 March 1859	900.1
8. Phila: 3 ^d Gold Piece	900.0
9 Phila $\frac{1}{2}$ Eagle	900.3

First Assay of Silver

No 1. Phila: mass.	898.6
2 Phila dollar	900.4
3 New Orleans Mass	900.6
4 New Orleans dollar	900.6
5 San Francisco Mass 1st period	900.0
6 " " Dollars 2nd period	899.8
7 " " Mass 2nd period	900.4
8. Phila dime	900.0
9 New Orleans dime	899.8

Second Assay of Silver

No 1 Phila: $\frac{1}{2}$ dollar	898.
2 Phila $\frac{1}{4}$ dollar	900.2
3 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ dollars since 19 March 1859	901.0
4 S. Francisco $\frac{1}{4}$ dollar since 19 March 1859	899.5
5 New Orleans $\frac{1}{2}$ dollar	902.0

You Committee have divided the assaying of the coins of the Branch Mint at San Francisco into two periods viz that prior to the 19 March

and that subsequent to the 19th March 1859
 this division was made in consequence of
 the information submitted by the Director of the
 Mint, that the ~~coin~~ corner at that Branch
 was changed on the 19th of March 1859

Your committee have great pleasure in
 reporting, that the result of the assays of the
 coinage at the Mint and its several branches is
 satisfactory, it appearing that the reserved pieces do not
 differ from the standard fineness allowed by law,
 All of which is respectfully Submitted

J. A. P. Barnard.

Thos. C. Porter

Robert Bridges.

James C. Van Dyke

The Committee on weighing respectfully report that they have weighed in compliance with Rule VII, the coins placed in their hands by the Board of Assay Commissioners for that purpose, the results of which will be found in the detailed memorandum attached hereto.

It affords the Committee great satisfaction to report a very close correspondence of the weights of the reserved coins submitted to their examination to their legal standard. In the few instances where there was a deviation from the legal standard, the ~~deviation~~^{difference} was found to be quite trifling and within the limit of variation allowed by law.

Imports
J. Fitcher.
J. A. Baker.
D. B. Baker

Aggregate weights

Aggregate weight of Gold and Silver coins reserved
at the Mint and its Branches pursuant to Rule 5.

Mint	Value		Legal weight		Actual weight		Deviation from legal weight		Remarks
	Dolls.	Cts.	Oz	Dec	Oz	Dec	Oz	Dec	
Phil. Gold	880		47	30	47	30			
" Silver \$	52		44	.687 $\frac{1}{2}$	44	.684	0	003 $\frac{1}{2}$	
of less denomination than the dollar } Silver coin-	60	50 ⁷⁵	48	500 ⁵⁰⁰	48	591	0	009	
New Orleans gold	170		9	137 $\frac{1}{2}$	9	137 $\frac{1}{2}$			
Silver \$	72		61	875	61	867	0	008	
smaller " coins - } ^	311	70	249	36	249	315	0	045	
Santo Domingo	59	50	3	198	3	198 $\frac{1}{2}$	0	000 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Charlotte gold	244		13	115	13	114	0	001	
San. F. since 19 March.									
gold -	640		34	400	34	398	0	002	
Silver	1			80		80			
S.F. since 19 March.									
241.767 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 11.825	4278		229	942 $\frac{1}{2}$	229	938	0	004 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Sold.									
Silver \$	4		3	437 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	438 $\frac{1}{2}$	0	001	
Silver less.									
\$30.20 - 7.50 than the dollar }	22	70	18	16	18	16			

Weight of Arranged Piles

Weight of the arranged piles taken from the coins re-
served at the Mint in Philadelphia and its sever-
al Branches

Pursuant to Rule 711 Letter C

Mint	No. of Pieces	Value Dollars cts	Legal Weight Gr Dec	Actual weight Oz. Dec	Deviation from Legal weight Gr Dec	Remarks
San Francisco-						
Gold 1 st Period prior to 19 mch	5-	100 00	5 375	5 374	0 001	
Gold 2 nd Period subsequent to 19 mch.	5-	27 00	1 451 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 451	0 000 1/2	
	4	80 00	4 300	4 299	0 001	
Philadelphia						
Gold -	10 -	150 00	8 062 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 062 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	
	17 -	446 50	2 499	2 499	—	
Philadelphia						
silver dollars up to Jan 18	5-	5 00	4 297	4 299	0 002	
the dollar.	10	3 00	2 400	2 400	—	
"	15-	0 90	0 720	0 721	0 001	

Unit	No. Pieces	Value Dollars cts	Legal weight		Actual weight		Deviation from Legal weight		Remarks
			lbs	Dec	lbs	Dec	lbs	Dec	
Charlotte	6.	22 00	1	182 1/2	1	182 1/2	—	—	
Wahlonga	3	11 00	0	59 1/4	0	59 1/4	—	—	
New Orleans									
Gold	2.	30 00	1	612 1/2	1	612 1/2	—	—	
Silver ^{keeps}	5	5 00	4	297	4	297	—	—	
than the dollar. ^{pieces} keeps than the dollar } 20	20	4 50	3	600	3	600	—	—	

Weight of Single Pieces

Weight of the single pieces taken from the coins reserved at the Mint in Philadelphia and its several Branches

Pursuant to Rule VII Letter C

Mint	Denomination of Coin	Legal Weight in Grains	Actual Weight in Grains	Deviation from Legal Weight in Grains
San Francisco 1st Period prior to 19th mch. Gold	1 Dble Eagle	516.	516	—
	2 " "	516	516	—
	3 " "	516	515 $\frac{7}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$ Light
	4 " "	516	516	—
	5 " "	516	515 $\frac{15}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$ Light
San Francisco 2nd Period 2nd Aug 15 19th mch. Gold	1 Dble Eagle	516	516 $\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$ Heavy
	2 " "	"	516 $\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{3}{16}$ "
	3 " "	"	516 $\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{3}{16}$ "
	4 " "	"	515 $\frac{15}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$ Light
	5 " "	"	516	—
	6 " "	"	515 $\frac{7}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$ Light
	7 " "	"	516 $\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{3}{16}$ Heavy
	1 Eagle	258	258	—
	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Eagle	129	128 $\frac{7}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$ Light
	1 Gold Dollar	25 $\frac{8}{10}$	25 $\frac{8}{10}$	—
San Francisco Silver 2nd Period	1 Half Dollar	192.	192 $\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$ Heavy
	2 " "	"	191 $\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$ Light
	3 " "	"	191 $\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$ "
	4 " "	"	192 $\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$ Heavy
	5 " "	"	191	1 grain Light
	6 " "	"	192 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ Heavy

Mint	Denomination Coin	Legal weight in Grains	Actual weight in Grains	Deviation from Legal weight Grains	Remarks
Philad ^a Gold	1 D ^{ble} Eagle	516	515 $\frac{15}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$ Light	
	1 Eagle	258	258 $\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$ Heavy	
	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Eagle	129	129	—	
	1 Three dollar	77 $\frac{4}{10}$	77 $\frac{4}{10}$	—	
	1 2 ^{tr} Eagle	64 $\frac{5}{10}$	64 $\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$ light	
	Gold dollar	25.8	25.8	—	
Silver	1 Silver dollar	412 $\frac{1}{2}$	412 $\frac{7}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$ Heavy	
	1 Half "	192	191 $\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$ Light	
	1 2 ^{tr} "	96	96 $\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$ Heavy	
	1 Dime	38 $\frac{4}{10}$	38 $\frac{4}{10}$	—	
	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	19 $\frac{2}{10}$	19 $\frac{2}{10}$	—	
	1 Three Cent.	11.52	11. $\frac{129}{200}$	$\frac{1}{8}$ Heavy	$\frac{1}{8}$ Heavy
Charlotte Gold	1 Half Eagle	129	129	—	
	1 Gold dollar	25 $\frac{8}{10}$	25 $\frac{27}{40}$	$\frac{1}{8}$ Light	$\frac{1}{8}$ Light
Washington Gold	1 Gold dollar	25 $\frac{8}{10}$	25 $\frac{27}{40}$	$\frac{1}{8}$ Light	✓
	1 Half Eagle	129	129 $\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$ Heavy	
New Orleans Gold	1 D ^{ble} Eagle	516	515 $\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$ light	
	1 Eagle	258	258 $\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$ Heavy	
	1 Silver dollar	412 $\frac{1}{2}$	412 $\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$ Light	
	1 " "	412 $\frac{1}{2}$	411 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ light	
	1 Half dollar	192	191	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	
	1 2 ^{tr} dollar	96	96 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ heavy	
	1 Dime	38 $\frac{4}{10}$	38 $\frac{4}{10}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ light	
	1 Half dime	19 $\frac{2}{10}$	19 $\frac{2}{10}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ light	
Silver					

U.S. Mint Feb'y 14th 1860

The undersigned appointed by the Board a Committee to Superintend the assaying of the coins of the United States Mint and its several branches beg leave respectfully to Report:

That on the 13th day of February 1860, they proceeded in pursuance of rule VIII E, to melt the several parcels of reserved coins in the order prescribed in Rule IV. Having finished the melting of all the coins except those reserved for particular assays, and such as were selected and handed over to the committee on weighing for testing the accuracy of the weighing, & the hour of adjournment having arrived, the several parcels of reserved coins, and the Ingots were placed in the fire proof under the key of the Chairman of the Board, and under the joint and separate charge of the Chairman of the Board and the Director of the Mint

On the 14th instant the Committee resumed their duties. They received from the Chairman of the Board and the Director of Mint the several parcels of reserved coins selected for particular assays, and the Ingots produced by the several meltings,

From the several ingots test-samples were cut as follows.

- No I. Gold coins of Philadelphia Mint
- No II. Gold coins of Branch Mint at Dahlmegea Charlotte
- No III Gold coins of Branch Mint at Dahlmegea
- No IV Gold coins of Branch Mint at New Orleans
- No V Gold coins of Branch Mint at San Francisco

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, Feb 13th 1860.

The Director of the Mint respectfully informs the Board of assay Commissioners that the only change at the Mint, or any of its branches in any of the Officers responsible for the Coinage was at the Branch mint in San Francisco.

At that Branch John M. Eckfeldt Esq was Coiner from the first of the year to the 18th of March inclusive. R. W. Stocumb Esq. entered upon the duties of Coiner on the 19th of March.

The memoranda on the envelope of the Coin will enable the Board to distinguish the coin delivered by the respective Officers.

The Director gives this information in order that the Board may distribute the coin of that branch of the Mint into separate parcels, as is required by the IV. rule for the organization and government of the Board.

James A. B. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

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Resolved That the thanks of this Board of Commissioners be presented to the Director of the Mint, for the politeness with which he has thrown open all the Departments of the establishment for their examination, and the courtesy with which he has endeavored to facilitate ^{to them} the discharge of their duty; and that this acknowledgment be extended to the ^{Melter and Refiner Treasurers} assayer, chief-coiner and other officers of the Mint and their assistants, for the readiness and efficiency with which they have carried out the wishes of the Commissioners, in all the operations in which their assistance has been requested.

Resolved, that the Chairman of this Board be requested to communicate the foregoing resolution to the functionaries therein named.

United States Mint

Phil^a February 1859.

To The Board of assay Commissioners.

The undersigned appointed by the Board a committee to superintend the assaying of the coins of the United States Mint and its several branches beg leave respectfully to report.

That on the 14th day of February inst; they proceeded in pursuance of rule VIII^E to melt the several parcels of reserved coins in the order prescribed in Rule IV.

Having finished the melting of all the coins except those reserved for particular assays and the hour of adjournment having arrived, the several parcels of reserved coins, the ingots and the best samples which had been taken from the ingots and from the particular coins selected for assaying, were placed in the fire proof under the key of the Chairman of the Board, and under the joint and separate charge of the Chairman of the Board and the Direct.

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= or of the Mint.

On the 15th instant the Committee resumed their duties

The melts made and from which test samples were selected were as follows.

- No I. Gold coins of Philadelphia
- No II. Gold coins of Branch Mint N. Orleans
- No III Gold coins of Branch Mint at S. Francisco.
- No IV Gold coins of Branch Mint at Charlotte
- No V Gold coins of Branch Mint at Dahlonega

The Melts of silver coins were as follows.

- No I. Silver Coins of The U.S. Mint. Phila:
- No II Silver coins of Branch Mint N. O.
- No III Silver coins of Branch Mint S. Francisco.

The test samples selected by your Committee from the particular coins are as follows.

of Gold coins.

- No 1. Philadelphia Double Eagle
- No 2 do Half Eagle
- No 3 do Gold dollar.

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|-------|---------------|---------------|
| No 4. | New Orleans | Double Eagle |
| No 5. | do do | Eagle. |
| No 6. | San Francisco | Double Eagle |
| No 7 | San Francisco | Eagle |
| No 8 | San Francisco | Half Eagle |
| No 9 | Charlotte | Half Eagle |
| No 10 | Charlotte | Quarter Eagle |
| No 11 | Wahlonga | Half Eagle. |

Of the Silver Coins as follows.

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|-------|---------------------|-----------------|
| No 1. | Philadelphia | Half dollar |
| No 2 | Philad ^a | Quarter dollar |
| No 3 | Philad ^a | Dime. |
| No 4. | New Orleans | Half dollar |
| No 5. | New Orleans | Quarter dollar |
| No 6. | New Orleans | Dime |
| No 7. | New Orleans | Half dime |
| No 8. | San Francisco | Half dollars |
| No 9. | San Francisco | Quarter dollar. |

These samples comprised all the different kind coins handed over to your committee by the committee & on weighing

The committee having taken from

4. each of the ingots produced by the several meltings and a portion of the particular coins, coined at the Mint and the several branches. These test samples were arranged by numbers so that the respective places of coinage was known only to the committee as provided in Rule VIII. G. The test samples thus arranged were then handed to the Assayer who assayed them under the immediate observation and supervision of the committee.

The gold was divided into two assays for convenience and resulted as follows.

First assay of Gold.

	result.
No. 1 Average from San F. Melt.	899.9
" 2. Half Eagle of S. Francisco.	899.5
3 Philadelphia Melt.	899.9
4 Eagle of San Francisco	900.0
Proof.	
5 Quarter Eagle of Charlotte	900.0
6 Double Eagle of Philadel ^a	899.8
7 Dahlonega Melt	899.6
8. Gold dollar of Philadel ^a	899.8

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Second assay Gold.

	Result-
No 1. Top of Mass of San Francisco	900.0
No 2. Half Eagle of Philadel ^a .	900.2
No 3. Eagle of New Orleans	900.7
No 4. Double Eagle of San Francisco	899.8

Proof.

No 5	Half Eagle of Dahlonega	899.5
No 6	New Orleans Melt-	899.5
No 7.	Charlotte Melt.	899.7
No 8.	Half Eagle of Charlotte	900.3
No 9.	Double Eagle of New Orleans.	899.5
No 10.	2nd test from same Melt of Phila.	900.0

The silver test samples were also arranged in the same manner in conformity with 9. of Rule VIII. and divided into two parcels as follows

First assay of Silver

	result.
No 1. San Francisco Mass-	900.6
No 2. New Orleans Mass	900.4
No 3. Philadelphia Mass	900.6
No 4. San Francisco. Half doll.	898.8
No 5. New Orleans Half doll.	900.8

No 6. Phil ^a Half dollar	900.4
No 7. Phil ^a dime	901.3
No 8 N. O. dime	900.4
No 9 N. O. $\frac{1}{2}$ dime	900.2

Second Assay Silver

No 1. San F. $\frac{1}{4}$ dollar	904.7
. 2 N Orleans $\frac{1}{4}$ dollar	899.5
. 3 Phil ^a $\frac{1}{4}$ dollar.	901.0

The result of No 1 of this assay being unsatisfactory being 1.7 above the legal allowance the com. supposed that inasmuch as the mass of the entire reserved coins assayed ^{was} 900.6 the result in the particular coin (quarter dollar) should not be attributed to any fault on the part of the officers having charge of the coinage at San Francisco, but was the result of the separation which sometimes occurs ~~on~~ between the silver and the alloy in the act of gradual solidification. The test taken was the half of a quarter dollar. Your Committee therefore resolved to assay other coins from the same branch mint of the like denomination and of the five specimens coins assayed

The result was as follows.

- No 1. quarter \$ 900.4
No 2. quarter \$ 900.6
No 3. quarter \$ 900.4
No 4. quarter \$ 899.8
No 5. quarter \$ 900.2

With this result before your committee they have little difficulty in arriving at the conclusion, that the excess of ~~finest~~^{real} might readily have occurred in the quarter dollar first assayed though the average ~~fineness~~^{real} of the ingot might have been the Standard. ~~fineness~~
It may be proper to remark that in making the assay of the coins referred except in the case of half dollars the process of granulation was not resorted to the committee preferring to assay the whole coin.

It has not come to the knowledge of the committee that there has been in the Mint or in any of its branches any changes during the year 1858 in the officers which make it necessary to divide the reserved coin in making the required assays.

You committee have great pleasure in stating that the result of the assays of the coinage at the Mint and its several branches has proved satisfactory. It appears that the reserved pieces do not differ from the standard fineness allowed by law.

The committee beg leave further to report that they have tried and ascertained the purity of the quantation silver and that used in the test assay of the silver coin and find them satisfactory all which is respectfully submitted.

H. L. Kendrick Prof. Chem U. S. M. C.
Jno O. James
James C. Van Dyke

Annual Assay

Reading of acts of Congress
dispensed with.

Miscellaneous of last
Annual Assay read.

Rules of former Board
adopted for the government of
this company. -

Director, Letter noting change
in corner office at San Francisco
and. -

Com^d. on Heights
J. M. Porter

Ch

Richter

Packer

Baker

Assaying

Barnard Ch

H. C. Porter

Bridges

Wardle

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Port Richmond Iron Works

Estimate for 6 Boilers & Staters
for the U.S. Mint

per Charles Johnson
Engineer

Six Plain Cylindrical Boilers each 40 inches diameter
24 feet long

Six Staters suspended underneath 30 inches diameter
10 feet long

Arranged in three nests — each nest to have
A Close five foot with Cast Beams
four Gauge cocks

two Blow off cocks

One 3 in check valve straight

One 3 in Safety valve straight

One Damper with weight & chain

The whole to be carted to the mint & put in place at
expense ready for use for thirty seven hundred dollars
\$3700 — The Iron to be of the best Penna Charcoal

Please observe that our offer does not include
any Pipes, as we have no information what Pipes are
required, nor does it include any masonry Brick work
which we expect will be prepared for us to set the
Boilers on, nor does it include the expense of moving
the Present Boilers

To Charles Johnson

Engineer
U.S. Mint

J. D. Morris & Co

Phila 10 mo 18 1869

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Philadelphia 18th month 18th 1859

To Charles Johnson
Engineer
U.S. Navy

We have made our estimate for
six plain Cylinder Boilers & Heaters, which you
write to us to be 40 inches diameter, same as your
present set and of a length, that we consider the
most appropriate.

We have of recent time given a decided
preference to short Boilers say 24 ft. the effects from
them of that length having proved most uniformly
satisfactory - If however you prefer 26 ft long, if
you will return our estimate we will revise it to
that length.

We are Respectfully
J. P. Morris & Co

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PORT RICHMOND IRON WORKS PHILADELPHIA



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Iron Founders, Steam Engine Builders,

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AND

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Isaac P. Morris.
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John J. Thompson.

Established 1828.
Office N^o 125 Walnut St.
Philadelphia.

Philadelphia Month 3rd 1860

James Ross Snowden

Director U. S. Month

Dear Sir

In reply to your request of
the 24th ultimo for our Estimate of the cost of
Six Plain Cylinder Boilers

We offer to make Six Plain Cylinder
Boilers 40 Inches diameter 24 feet long from Iron to
one Water Gauge (16)
Also Six Heaters attached to the same, under the
thirty Inches diameter 20 feet long of No. 10 Water Gauge
All to be of best Penn^a charcoal Iron - Also a

fire front for the same with Beams and Grate
Bars, then Gauge locks to each Boiler for the sum of
Twenty Nine Hundred & Ninety Dollars (\$2990)

We embrace in our offer the removal of the
old Boilers & fire front, the materials of which shall
belong to us, also we agree to put the two Boilers
in their places ready for the mason work, and ready
for attaching the present Pipes

We can ^{place} ~~make~~ the Boilers in two
weeks from the receipt of the order directing us to
meet the work

We are very Respectfully
J P Morris & Co

P.S. Our usual practice is to make the Heaters
half the length of the Boilers, we would prefer
to have them so in this case, if the matter
is left to our judgement -

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J. W. H. T.

Col. J. Ross Snowden
U.S. Mint

Philad^a 1st mo 18. 1860

We propose modifying the estimate for
boilers sent you on 3rd inst as follows, We offer
To make three boilers 40 inches diam 24 feet long from
the material now composing the 40 feet boilers,
To make three boilers of the same dimensions and six
heaters 20 in diam 10 feet long of new iron of the size
and quality specified in our former estimate,
To take down and remove the old boilers and fire brick and
put up the new ready for mason work and attaching the pipes,
To furnish the necessary fire brick, grate bars and Eighteen
gauge corks, but no pipes or other material, for the sum
of Twenty four hundred & fifty Dollars. The old ma-
terial not used in the new arrangement to belong to us
Yrs respectfully I. P. Morris & Co

Philad 2nd mo 4. 1860

We will furnish six boilers each 40 ins diam 24 feet long of N: 1 plate, with a heater of 30 ins diam 10 feet long of N: 3 plate attached to each, and erect the same at the Mint ready for Mason work and attachment of pipes now in use for the price of five Cents P^d

We to remove the old boilers which are to belong to us - We will also furnish the pipes, grate bars, bearing bars & bridges to for the price of two Cents P^d

or We will furnish four new boilers and heaters of the sizes named above and erect them at the Mint in place of the four short boilers now in use which we will remove (to belong to us) for the price of six Cents P^d

We will also furnish the pipes as above for two Cents

P^d

Y^{rs} very respectfully

J. H. Morris C^y

For Col: J. Ross Snowden

U. S. Mint



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PENN STEAM ENGINE & BOILER WORKS

FOOT OF PALMER STREET KENSINGTON, PHILADELPHIA.

KEANEY, NEAFIE & CO.

ENGINEERS, MACHINISTS, BOILER MAKERS, BLACK SMITHS & FOUNDERS.

Manufacturers of high & low pressure Marine & Stationary Engines, Boilers of all descriptions, Propellers, Iron Boats, Water Tanks, heavy & light Forgings, Iron & Brass Castings, Copper Smelting, Pattern Making & an extensive assortment of Patterns of all kinds always on hand.

Having extensive Wharf & Dockroom, are always prepared to build & repair Engines & Steamers at the shortest notice. Every Facility offered for lifting heavy and light weights.

Thomas Keane. Jacob G. Neafie. John P. Levy.

Philadelphia Dec 9th 1859
Respected Sir

In answer to your inquiries about the Price for six Plain Cylinder Boilers 40 inches diameter 24 ft Long six heaters suspended underneath 30 inches diameter and 10 feet Long to be put in their places at the Mint - and all the connections made we reply they will cost \$34 00⁰⁰ Five Shouts Four Cents per lb Gate Bars 3 1/2 cts per lb Gauge Cocks \$2 a piece. All the work to be done in the best manner and the Boiler Iron to be of the Best Penn^a Charcoal. Should be pleased to get the Order

Respectfully

Keane/Neafie & Co

J. Ross. Snowden Esq
U.S Mint
Phil^a

The Boilers and heaters are calculated at 7 1/2 cts per lb

Bush Hill Iron Works }
Philad^a Decr 6th 1859 }

James Ross Snowden Esq^r

Director of the United States Mint.

Dear Sir

In reply to your favor of 1st Inst.

We will build in the most substantial manner and put up at the mint in this City. Six plain cylinder Boilers 40 Inches diameter 24 Feet long and suspended under these by two wrought iron connections to each Six heating Boilers 30 inches diameter 10 Feet long, with three Gauge Cocks to each Boiler, And a Fire Front, Bearers and Grate Bars arranged to be used in three nests.

These Boilers to be built of best Pennsylvania Charcoal Hammered Bloom Iron $5/16$ Inches thick, and to be hand riveted. Fire Front to be a heavy Cast-iron Front closed up, with Fire and ash pit doors that may be opened at pleasure. All which we will build and put up as above for the sum of Thirty nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

It is understood that we furnish no Mason Work.

Hoping to receive your order for above.

We Remain

Very Obedt^y Yours

Matthews & Moore

Philad^a December 10th 1859
J. Ross Snodden
Director U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia

Dear Sir:

We will construct
6 plain cylinder boilers 40 inches diameter 24 feet
long. with six heaters suspended underneath. 30 inches
diameter 10 feet long. with fire front and grate bars
for each also 3 quage cocks. for each boiler. all
delivered and put up complete. (not including
Brick-layers or masons work) For the sum of
Thirty Six Hundred & Thirty five dollars (\$3635.00)

The Boiler iron to be of Best Pennsylvania
Charcoal metal $\frac{5}{16}$ inch thickness.

Trusting we have the pleasure of
receiving and order for the above

We are

Truly Yours

Morgan Orr & Co

Chief Engineer's Office

February. 13th 1860.

To Hon^{ble} J Ross Snowden

Director -

The proposals for constructing 6 Boilers & Heaters, fire front, grate bars & bearers & 3 gauge cocks to each Boiler having been re-submitted, with a copy of an additional proposal by Mess^{rs} Morgan Orr & Co I have re-considered all the offers made and am still of opinion that the second proposal of Mess^{rs} J. P. Morris & Co is most satisfactory - the price for which they there offer to do the work being certain, and lowest in amount -

The additional proposal of Mess^{rs} Morgan Orr & Co is to build

4 Boilers & 4 Heaters of the required dimensions for	7¢ per lb
2 Mud Drums for old Boilers @	7¢ " "
Fire front @	4¢ " "
& will alter 2 old Boilers making them the same length as the new for	\$125.00

Nothing is said in this proposal as to the expense of Grate Bars, bearers, & Gauge Cocks - Nothing as to expense of removal of old Boiler and there is no offer to put the same up ready for mason work & attaching pipes; or even as to expense of ^{bringing} newly constructed Boilers mud drums &c to the Mill -

In the proposal is embodied a recapitulation of probable Cost under this offer as follows -

4 Boilers will weigh about	\$28.500 @ 7¢	\$1995.00
2 Mud drums " "	\$3800 @ 7¢	266.00
Alteration of 2 old Boilers		125.00

Carried forward \$2386.00

Brought forward

\$ 2386.00

To this I will add

Fire front @ 4 \$ per lb (weight abt \$ 3500)	140.00
Grate Bars @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ \$ " " (" " 6000)	210.00
Beams @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ \$ " " (" " 2000)	70.00
18 Gauge Cocks @ \$ 2 & f.c.d.a.	<u>36.00</u>
	Making \$ 2842.00

But 4 Boilers & Heaters Thers Morgan Orr & Co say would weigh about \$ 28.500 - & 2 mud drums would weigh about \$ 3800 -

By comparison with Thers Reasley & Neafie & Co estimate of weight of 6 Boilers & Heaters - 4 Boilers & 4 Heaters of the required dimensions would weigh 1700 or 1800 \$ more than the above estimate of \$ 28.500

It will also be seen by comparison with Thers Morgan Orr & Co's 1st proposal to do the entire work for _____ \$ 3635

That after deducting for price of fire front Grate Bars Gauge Cocks & beams which would not materially vary from \$ 456-

You will have left as the price of 6 Boilers & Heaters \$ 3179

4 Boilers would cost $\frac{2}{3}$ of \$ 3179 that is \$ 2118 which @ 7 \$ per lb would make 4 Boilers & Heaters weigh \$ 30.255 about \$ 1700 more than estimated above -

To cover such excess of weight in Boiler

Forward

\$ 2842.00

Brought forward \$ 28 42.00

and drums, and also to cover the cost of removal
of the old material, bringing the new to the mint
and putting it in place, ready for mason work and
attaching pipes, there might properly be added at
least the sum of

\$ 200.00

This amount — \$ 30 42.00

would probably be about the cost of the work under
Messrs Morgan & Co's proposal; but from the
character of the proposal itself, the cost would be uncertain,
and might possibly exceed that amount

Very Respy

Geo H Childs
Chief Engineer

Proposals for 6 plain Cylinder Boilers 40 inches diameter 24 feet long 6 Heaters Suspended underneath 30 inches diameter 10 feet long, a fire front with bearers and grate bars and 3 gauge cocks to each Boiler. The Boilers to be of the best Penn^a Charcoal Iron 5/16 inches thick — Estimates are exclusive of mason work.

Matthews & Moore, Bushkill Iron works will build and put up the same for ————— \$3950.00
Nothing said as to expense of removal of present boilers

Reaney & Neafie & Co Penn Steam Engine & Boiler works will build and put the same in their places & all connections made as follows

Boilers & Heaters calculated @ $7\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ per lb \$3400.

Fire front @ 24¢ per lb (weight estimated @ 3500) 140

Grate Bars @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ " " (" " @ 6000) 210

18 Gauge Cocks @ \$2 per piece 36.

No mention made of bearers (weight estimated say @ 2000) 70 \$3856.00
say @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ & same as grate bars

Nothing said as to expense of removal of present boilers

Morgan Orr & Co will construct and put up

the same for

\$3635.00

Nothing said as to expense of removal of present boilers

J. P. Morris & Co, Port Richmond Iron Works, have made ~~their~~
proposals

1. They will remove the old and make and put up the new

ready for mason work and attaching pipes for the

sum of _____ \$ 299 0

The old material to be given them ^{of} which the \$ 525 ~~\$ 3515~~
estimated value is _____

2. They will take down the old construct the new ready for

mason work & attaching pipes, using a portion of

the present material composing the 40 feet Boilers

to make 3 of the required Boilers they to be given

the balance of the old material not used for \$ 2450.00

3. They will furnish 6 Boilers and 6 heaters of the required

dimensions, take down the old & erect the new ready for

mason work for the price of _____ 5¢ per lb

& furnish front grate bars, bearing bars for — 2¢ " "

The old Boilers to belong to them —

4. They will furnish 4 new boilers & heaters of the

required dimensions and erect the same in

place of the 4 short boilers which are to belong

to them — for

6¢ per lb

and will furnish the fronts for

2¢ " "

Chief Coiners Office

February 9th 1860

To
Messrs J Ross Snowden

Director.

The foregoing statement embraces substantially the offers made by the respective parties. I have considered them carefully and think the second offer made by Messrs J P Morris & Co is most satisfactory.

Messrs Morris & Co have from time to time repaired the Boilers now in use and are acquainted with their present condition. In their second offer they propose to do the work using the iron composing the two long Boilers in making 3 of the required length (the balance of old material to be given to them) for the price of \$2450.00 - The Balance of Old Material after thus using the present long boilers would only be worth to the Mint 1 cent per lb and the engineer Mr Johnson thinks that \$300 would cover its value as old iron.

Respy

Geo T P Childs
Chief Coiner

"Copy"

J. Ross Snowden
Director. U.S. Mint.

We will construct four Boilers 26 feet long 40 inches diameter with drum suspended underneath each boiler 10 feet long 30 inches diameter all made of best Charcoal Iron $\frac{7}{16}$ inch thick for seven cents per lb.

We will also construct two mud drums for old Boilers at 7 cents same quality of iron and same thickness as above

We will alter the two old Boilers making them same length as the new ones for the sum of One Hundred & twenty five dollars.

"Recapitulation"

The 4 new Boilers will weigh about	28,500 lbs ^{27 cts}	1995.00
The two new mud drums will weigh about.	3800 lbs ^{27 cts}	266.00
The alterations to old Boilers		125.00
		<u>\$2386.00</u>

Should there be any fire fronts needed will will fit them up. for four cents per pound

Respectfully Yours
Morgan Orr & Co

J. Ross Snowden
Director U.S. Mint

We will make four
Boilers 26 feet Long 40 inches diameter. with
one drum suspended underneath each
Boiler, 10 feet long 30 inches diameter. all
to be made of best Charcoal Iron $5/16$ inch
in thickness for 7 cts per lb.

The four Boilers and drums will
weigh 28,500 lbs more or less.

Two mud drums for old Boilers will
about 3800 lbs more or less.

Should there be any fire fronts needed we
will furnish them at 4 cents per lb. and
grate Bars & Bearers at 3 cts per lb.

Respectfully Yours
Morgan Orr & Co

"Recapitulation"

4 Boilers & drums. "new" say 28,500 lbs @ 7c	1995.00
2 new mud drums for old Boilers say 3800 lbs @ 7c	266.00
The alterations to the old Boilers will cost	125.00
	<u>\$2386.00</u>

Proposals for Boilers
Acceptance of 2^d
Proposition J. P. Morris 10
under this date

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PORT RICHMOND IRON WORKS
OCT. 18-1859

PENN STEAM ENGINE & BOILER WORKS
DEC. 9-1859

BUSH IRON WORKS-
DEC. 6-1859

MORGAN ORR & CO.

February 21. O.

Gentlemen:

The proposition contained in
your letter of the 15th ult. for the ~~construction~~ ^{construction} of the
~~iron, of the same size, 50 ft. in diameter,~~
24 ft long, from the material now composing
the 40 ft boiler, and three new boilers of the
same dimensions, together with six heaters 30
inches diameter & 10 ft long, is accepted.

Samuel R. P. Rogers,
Director of the Mint.

Wm. L. P. Harris Esq.
No. 125 Walnut St.
Philadelphia.

Southwark Foundry.

Merrick & Sons.

S. V. Merrick.

S. Vaughan Merrick.

W. H. Merrick.

Philad^a Feb. 13 1860

Jas Rop Snowden Esq
D^r Sir

We should have replied to your
enquiry respecting boilers before but
from your saying that they would not be
wanted at the Mint till June the enquiry
was laid aside for reply and was afterwards
overlooked.

We will furnish 6 plain cylinder boilers
ea 40 in dia 24 ft long with water drum
30 in dia 10 ft long connected thereto by two
10 in pipes say 2 ft long; shells of 7.6
heads of $\frac{1}{2}$ inch best charcoal iron, Fire
joints complete for the same with wall ties
for anchoring it, beams & grate bars, three
gauge cocks to each boiler.

Deliver the whole at the Mint, erect up
the connections between boilers and drums
erect them to their places set up the Fire
frames & drums; - for the sum of Thirty
eight hundred and fifty dollars -
The boilers & drums will be painted with hydraulic
preservative at the works.

Respectfully

Merrick & Sons

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860 / FEBRUARY - REPORTS

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860/MARCH



April 4.

O.

Dear Sir,

The Director of the Office, who
is confined to his house by indisposition, has
directed me to send you the enclosed (3) ^{as} ~~Memorials~~
Memorials, and inform you that ^{as} he has a copy
of the ~~memorials~~ of which you enclose a ~~copy~~
in your letter of the 31st ult., it will be necessary
to procure the one in your possession.

Very Respectfully,
H. R. Linderman
Director

Benj. Hanna Esq.
Elizabeth
N.Y.

P.S. Please also
recapitulate of medals to Director. -

Name directors who, as shown by the books, approved the purchase of these bonds, and required.

dated:
submitting the purchase of these books
These questions are, as shown by the

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JACKSON
MEDAL
RUBBING

WASHINGTON MEDAL
WITH BUCHANAN REVERSE

Elizabeth Meh 31st 1860

Hon. James P. Shrewden,
Dear Sir,

I sent you
by mail more than two weeks
since the two medals of the 8
presidents, in exchange for
which you promised me a set
of your 8 Washington Memorials.
I wish you would also send me
a cent of 1859 with Reverse of 1860.
if you can spare it. I have
also a medal of Washington
with a Buchanan Reverse.
I send you a rubbing of it.
~~I would~~ No collector has ever
had one of them that I know
of. Would you like it? I send
an imperfect rubbing of it.
It is in fine condition.

Yours

If you have any of the
pattern Half dollars of 1809
left, ~~we~~ might exchange it
for them, or any copies of
the Indian medals. I suppose
you have forgotten the
medals you were to send,
and you must pardon me
if I jog your memory -
I am with much regard
Yours truly

Wm^r Larnie

Tom Do

Benjamin

Elisabeth

N. J.

3 Washington
Memorials enclosed
to

April 4, 1860

Address Free

Southold Suffolk Co.

N. Y. March 30. 1860

Superintendent U. S. Mint

Philadelphia Pa.

Dear Sir,

Some time

in the year 1854 There was shipped
by Schooner John C. Wells. Some \$7,000
worth of Copper Planchets or un-
stamped Cents, The Schooner was
run into and sunk off Cape May.

If not asking too much will
you please state what Office the
Copper was insured in ^{& the name of shipper} by so
doing will greatly oblige

Yours respectfully

W C Wells

Former owner of Schooner

Crocker, Bros. & Co.

Taunton, Mass.

John C. Wells,

Adams Free

Southold Suffolk Co.

N. Y. March 31, 1860

Superintendent U. S. Mint

Philadelphia Pa.

Dear Sir,

Some time
in the year 1854 There was shipped
by Schooner John C. Wells. Some \$7,000
worth of Copper Planchets or un-
stamped Cents, The Schooner was
run into and sunk off Cape May.

If not asking too much will
you please state what Office the
Copper was insured in ^{& the name of shipper} by so
doing will greatly oblige

Yours respectfully

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John C. Wells,

Tom Lo

W H Wells

Southfield

Suffolk Co
N.Y.

April 2. 1860.

Chief Quartermasters Office

United States Mint

To Hon^{ble} J Ross Snowden

Mch. 31. 1860

Director -

The accompanying return of absence and lateness of workmen is not as favorable as the returns for the months of January and February last - Vanhorn & Foreman workmen in the Rolling & Cutting Room have both been sick and unable to attend to duty, and the increase in the aggregate number of days absence is mainly due to their continued illness - Mr Foreman is reported so seriously ill that he is not expected to be again able to attend to duty.

My attention was called by you, during the past winter, to the subject of a reduction of the force in this department; but its consideration was delayed, with your approval, until Spring under the impression that the workmen might then be better able to find other employment. In view of the present diminished supply of work for this department I have again at your request carefully considered the subject of the reduction of the force now employed. I am quite satisfied that some of the force could be dispensed with, without disadvantage to the public Service -

A reduction might be made as follows -

In Rolling Room Say 4 men.

" Cutting " 4 "

In Whitening Room say 1 man

" Press " 0

" Engine " 1 "

" Blacksmith Shop 2 "

" Carpenter Shop 2 "

Laborers - 0 "

In respect to Machine Shop you are personally familiar with the unkind feeling existing between the workmen and the foreman, and I prefer with your permission to leave with you the question of reduction there.

Respectfully

Geo. T. Childs

Chief Engineer

Report
Chief Commissioner

March

1860

Return of absence lateness + overtime in Chiefbonier's
Department for March. 1860.

Names.	Sickness	Private business	Without Excuse.				
	d h	d h	d h				
Kensil	6						
Lambert			1				
McDermott		5					
Mouille		1					
Rowan	1						
Tully	18						
Vanhorn	22						
Deaney	1	5					
Forman	27						
Kelly			2				
McGittigan			2				
Prenot			2				
Shaffer	6						
Hackett	8						
Quinn			3 5				
	<u>89 d</u>	<u>2 d</u>	<u>10 5</u>	= 10 1/2 Days absence -			

Overtime for March 1860

Yeager -	4 h.
Kensil -	4 h.
Long	1 h.
Mouille -	4 h.
Lawrence Glv.	3 h.
Burken	3 h.
Nice	3 h.
Lawrence H.	8 h.
Maginnis	29 h.
Slaw	28 h.
O'Donald	28 h.
Burrows -	3 h.
Vanoster -	2 h.
Clinton	2 h.
Lowden	2 h.
Stall	4 h.
	<u>128 h.</u>

Deductions for absence &c.

Kensil	6 h.
Lambert	10 h.
McDermott	2 h.
Mouille	5 h.
Tully	30 h.
Vanhorn	110 h.
Deaney	12 h.
Forman	135 h.
Kelly	20 h.
McGittigan	20 h.
Shaffer	6 h.
Hackett	80 h.
Prenot	20 h.
Quinn	35 h.
	<u>491 h.</u>

Philad^a 31. March, 1860

Dear Sir

Having observed during a number of years at the Mint, the desirability of having a collection of Specimens, illustrative of the Processes of Metallurgy, so as to afford to the officers a ready means of comparison with specimens of ores & products of smelting, submitted to them for examination, — I now offer to the Mint a good opportunity of attaining this object.

I have been engaged in making such a collection during the last twenty years; & having given up my Private Laboratory, I offered the collection to those, who have purchased the business, at a moderate rate. Since, however, the collection is a large one, & contains many duplicates, I have deemed it better to divide it, so as to form two collections. One of these I now offer to the Mint at a much more moderate rate than it could otherwise be obtained for, & much more complete than it could otherwise be made in the course of many years.

I propose dividing it into three distinct Branches, viz. A Mineral Collection, illustrative of all the more important mineral substances, occurring in this Country or elsewhere, especially those

those, which compose ordinary Rock-masses, & their contained metalliferous veins; — 2. a Geological Collection, illustrating the position of valuable & useful minerals: — & 3rd a Technical Collection, designed to illustrate metallurgic processes more specially & minutely.

The whole series of Collections will fall short of \$1000 in value, altho' they would cost nearly or double that amount according to the rising prices of such articles.

If you agree with me as to the positive utility of such a collection or series of them, I prefer that the values of the specimens should be determined by one, who has been a dealer in such articles.

Very truly yours
J. H. Booth

J. Ross Snowden. Esq
Director
U. S. Mint

From

Chas J. C. Booth
Phil^a.

offers collection of
ores & to the Mint

March 31, 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 29th 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$8,475.87
in Silver dollars, and Gold Coins in payment
of invoice N^o 23.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia

Wm. J. C. Wood

Treasurer

Bear. assay off

N. York

Mar. 29/60

City Bank

Worcester Mass

March 29/60

J Ross Snowden Esq

Dear Sir

I send by the bearer of
this Six Dollars, to pay for two sets
of the proof Silver and Copper Coins
for the present year, viz \$1.00. 50, 25, 10,
5, 25, 10 & pieces. I wrote you sometimes
since stating that I wished for two sets
one for a Mr Whiting of this place and one
for myself, and you wrote we could be
supplied. Please have them done up so
they will come safely and without
being scratched.

Very Respy Yours

Nathl Paine

From
H. Paine Esq
to Jas. H. Snodden
Mch 29/60
"Silver & copper proofs"

J. H. Snodden

J. H. Snodden Esq
Director of the Mint
Paris

United States Assay Office,
New York, Mar. 29, 1860.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of yesterday's date, I submit the following statement of deposits of Kansas Gold at this office from Jan. 1, 1860 to this date.

1860.	Weight before melting.		Weight after melting		Standard Weight		Value.	
	Oz.	den.	Oz.	den.	Oz.	den.	\$.	cts.
January	1475	10	1381	42	1290	076	24,001	41
February	592	72	556	15	510	934	9,505	75
March (1-26)	616	22	583	66	454	127	8,448	87
	2,684	04	2,521	23	2,255	137	41,956	03

Very respectfully

Yours obt. servt.,

Hon. J. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

S. F. Butterworth, Supt.
by Geo. F. Downing.

P.S. Mr. B. was summoned to Washington on Tuesday
by the Investigating Committee G.F.O.

Thos
Supr U. S. Assay Office
N.Y.

Statement of deposits
Run as found &c

March 29. 1860.

To Saml. Butternath
Supt U. S. Assay
Office N.Y.

Request Statement
deposits Kansas
for Jan 1/60
to date

March 29, 1860.

D. C. Fomey

Fremont Schuylkill Co. Pa.

Manuscript 284 0.

Sir,

I have to request you to send me
a statement of the amount of Kansas gold
received at the assay office from the 1st of
January to the present time. State the number
of ounces before melting and after melting, and
the assay value. Please send this
statement as soon as practicable.

Very respectfully

Yours Obedt servant,

Samuel R. Henderson.

Director of the mint.

San Francisco, Cal.

Assay Office,
New York.

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

Office of the New York Smelting Co.,

NEW YORK.

28 March 1880.

James Ross Snowden Esq.

Director US Mint. Phila

Dear Sir

This will introduce to you Mr
Charles Johnson Metallurgist
to this Company - who will be
pleased to sample your
Mint Sweepings -

Yours

W H Wickham

Presdt.

From

W H M. Vickar
to Jas. Rosephumden

28 Nov 1860

"Montweefing"

Groveland Mass. Mass
28th 1860

Col J. R. Snowdon

Dear Sir seeing
by a late Periodical that you
were engaged in collecting
Washington coins & medals for
Mount Vernon. I thought I
would send you a description
of a medal which I have lately
found.

As I am a young beginner in
Numismatics I do not know
whether it is rare or common
but I have never seen any like it
It is the size of a Cent of a
black appearance made of Pewter
I should think

On the Obverse is a bust of
Washington surrounded by a
wreath. with the legend -

"All is in Glory the World is
in Tears"

On the reverse is an urn
with the initials G.W. on the
Base with the legend

"B. F. 22. 1732. G. H. A. R. M. ^{91 think}

75. R. 83. D. U. S. A. 8

R. 96. G. H. A. R. M. U. S. 98

O. B. D. 14. 1779

If this will be of any value
to your collection I should
be pleased to send it to you

Yours with Respect

J. R. Snodden, O. J. Parker.

Govland
Essex County
Mass

O. J. I would like a catalogue of
the varieties of Washingtons corn

From
P. H. Parker Esq

Washington Medals

March 28/860.

Bank, Wayne Co. New York
Mch 28/1860

United States Mint
Philadelphia Pa

Are You sending the New
Cents for this style of Copper
(Canada penny) at the same
as for the old style of American
cent. There is a size as large
again as this one are You
receiving them the same as
two of this size. Also for the
old style of Tokens Medals &c
or do You receive them by
weight. Please advise

Yours truly

J. M. Sanderson

From
J. M. Anderson
Newark, N. J.
Or

Exchange for
old cents
Circular with
P.S. enclosed

March 30, 1865

TOKENS

order given to Geo Estfeldt
March 28. 1860.-

Hall of W. Institute
Balt. March 27. 1860

D. Sir

The Board of Managers direct me to request you will have made, 50 Bronze Medals from our large one, and 25 Silver from the small one, and let us have them by this day week, or sooner if possible, Please let me know the cost and I will at once send the Amt. -

They are for distribution at the commencement of our School of Design, which will be held on that day - which renders it important we should have them by that time -

Very Respy

J. N. Snowden Esq.

Dir. of Mint
Phila.

Yours ably serv.

Wm S. Selby
actg man

From To
John A Selby
Act Med Hist
Bally
Med

order for medals

March 28, 1860.

March 29. O.

Dear Sir,

The medals requested in your letter of the 29th inst will be made as soon as convenient, but they cannot be finished by the time you desire them, in consequence of our having a large number of medals to strike on account of orders received prior to yours.

The cost of the medals will be as follows:

50 Bronze Medals from large die	at	\$50.00
25 Silver	"	Small " at 75c
		<u>\$75.00</u>

Very Respectfully,
James R. Henderson,
Director of the M. &

John A. Kelly Esq.,
Act. Md. Institute,
Balt.
Md.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 27. 1860

Sir

As per receipt and statement enclosed, I have transmitted by the Adams Express Company, three boxes silver bullion of the net value of \$7,027.85 containing gold, net value \$1448.02 Please remit silver dollars for the former, and dbl eagles for the latter, on the 30th, as stated in your former letter, that it may pass into this quarter's credits.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq

Treas^r W. S. Meind

Philadelphia

Wm. J. C. Wco

Assayer

March 27/60

John J. Cisco Esq
Troy

Morris Good & Selmer
Bullinn.

Original.

No. 23

New York, May 27 1860

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia Three boxes of Silver bullion,
of the net value of Eight Thousand, four
hundred & seventy five $87/100$ Dollars.

\$ 8,475.87

John Harvey
For the Adams Express Company.

83 Mank N.Y.

March 27th 1860

Col G R Snowden

Dear Sir

Have you rec^d my
Letter of 19th Feb containing
\$3-50 for Proof Sets 1860.

An early Answer will
confer a favor on yours

Very Truly

Wm H. White

27 William St
New York March 15 1860

Hon Jas Roushewden

Dear Sir

Since my last communication with you on the subject of Washington pieces, I have published, as I then informed you I intended doing, two articles in Harper's Magazine on coins &c. In the March number I called attention to your design of making two collections & recommended several persons having pieces to forward to you.

I hope among the 200,000 readers of the Magazine - (or subscribers - with a half million readers) you may receive some aid.

I have a few Washington pieces which may possibly be desirable for your collection, but which in any event will always be very rare. It is possible that you have seen them as two or three sets

have gone to Philadelphia. There are but 25
sets in existence & probably will never be any
more, and my object in them is solely to
use for exchange.

1. 3 pieces = Washington & Company etc. Rev. Par nobile fratrium
2. 3 pieces = Washⁿ & Franklin - in silver, copper & white, same reverse,
3. 3 pieces Washⁿ obverse, Franklin Reverse - silver copper & white, silver copper & white,

Should you already have a set of these & wish another
for your other cabinet I can supply you -

Besides these however I have a Washington medal
cut by Wright - which is one of the finest, as it is
probably the rarest of the American medals of Wash-
ington - I enclose a rubbing of the obverse. You
may have seen it - may possibly have it in silver -
I propose to strike it in White metal (this I have done)
in Bronze & in silver - I shall not strike any in
silver, except for those desiring it, and at high
exchanges.

All these medals I shall be happy to furnish
you with, in duplicate sets, if you can in
return furnish me with mint pattern pieces
which I still lack - I am, as you have
already learned, out of the ordinary line of

From Dr
W. C. Brown
New York

Washington Medals

March 28. 1860.

March 28th O.

Dear Sir,

I am, I regret to say, reminded by
an letter of yesterday of my omission to respond
to your esteemed favor of the 15th inst. I
trust you will excuse me for this omission as
I have been much occupied.

I feel much obliged to you for your kind notice
of my Washington Memorials in your excellent
article on Annals in the last number of
Harper's Magazine. The increased publicity to
my purpose of collecting the Medallion Memorials
of the Patriotic Patriots will be of essential
service, for which I thank you.

The 3 pieces which you named viz. 1. Washington
& La Fayette. 2. M. & Franklin. 3. Washington
& Franklin. I would be glad to see
and if I obtain them will give you
a ^{small} honorarium in the shape of a medal
or medals. In the meantime I send you
some account of the project.

collectors. I am collecting for scientific purposes only, with a desire to familiarize myself with the history of numismatic art. I am, like all other collectors of my sort, subjected to the important demands of coin dealers. —

I am aware of the great demands which must be made on you for mint pieces — at the same time if I can furnish you with an equivalent in the way of medals I presume that you have no other object in using the pattern pieces. —

If you would allow me to purchase the pattern pieces, paying the value of the metal I would gladly do so, and send to you such medals as I have by way of presents to your collections.

I have never heard whether you received the third medal of Nashⁿ 1834 — Remus the Eagle & scroll — &c &c which I sent you by mail — last summer. Two of them you acknowledged receipt of but the

that I never heard of.

I am

Very Truly yrs

W. C. Prime

Finding it impossible to make a
rubbing of the Washington by Wright-

I have enclosed one in white metal
which please return if not desired.

This is one of a few I had struck with
plain reverse. The silver Bronze and

other white metal medals will have
a reverse which I am having prepared
from a cast of Wright's reverse.

This is the first one that has left
my hands & is therefore specially rare
as I shall probably melt all the
white with plain reverse except these or four.

27 Williams St

New York March 27 1860

Col J. R. Snowden

N. Y.

Dear Sir
Some two weeks since
I enclosed to you a very rare &
valuable medal - proposing
an exchange -

As I hear nothing from you
I conclude you do not desire
to make the exchange & I
will thank you to return the
medal to me, by mail, for

which I enclose postage stamps.

The medal was Wright's
Medal of Washington - white
metal - plain reverse -

I am
Respy In

W. L. Price
— " —

New York Mar 24th 1860

M^r Snowden

Dr Sir

Will you
please to have the kindness to
accept of two of my business
tokens for the cabinet of Washingt
on pieces and oblige

Yours truly

Ezra Hill

No 6 Bleeker st
N.Y.

March 26. 1860. Under ack. receipt
of above stated that they
would be placed in the
cabinet of Washington
pieces. —

Amos

Gradwell

N.Y.

Enders Washington
T. W. S.

March 26. 1860.

Treasury Department

March 27th 1860

Sir

Herewith please find enclosed a memorial from the Board of Trade at Chicago for the establishment of an Assay office and a Mint at that place.

The Committee in Charge of the House of Representatives have sent it home, with a request for the views of this Department on the establishment of an Assay office there.

I will thank you for such facts and views in your possession as may be proper to communicate to the Committee on this subject. Please return the enclosures with your letter.

J. Rep Snowden &
Director of the Mint
Phila

Very respectfully
Yours obedt^y

Novell Cobb
Secretary of the Treasury

the attention of their respective
Houses of Congress and that
a copy of this preamble and
these resolutions be forwarded to
each of our Senators and our
immediate representatives,

The above is a correct
copy from the minutes of the
Board of Trade of Chicago
Eth. Catlin Secy

At a meeting of the Board of Trade
of the City of Chicago February 18th
1860 the following Preamble and Resolutions
were adopted.

" In view of the prospective
development of the vast gold fields
in the Rocky Mountains, and the in-
imate relations they must sustain
to Chicago, and in view of the central
position of our City in the great
North West, to which will flow a
large part of the produce of said
gold fields, we moved recom-
mend that Congress be petitioned
to establish a Mint and Assay
Office at this place therefore

Resolved: That the Congress
of the U. States be respectfully
requested to establish at Chicago
an Assay Office and a Mint

Resolved. That our Senators
and the representatives in Congress
from the North West be respectfully
requested to urge our petition upon

To
The Sec. Treasury

As to establishment
of an Assay Office
at Chicago Ill

March 28, 1860.

Director's answer
under date March
30th enclosed herewith

March 30th 0.

Sir,

I have examined the subject presented to my consideration in your favor of the 27th inst. The memorial of the Board of Trade of Chicago asks for an assay office and a Mint; but I learn from your letter that the Committee on Commerce, to whom it was referred, only solicit your views on the establishment of an assay office. I therefore confine my remarks to that branch of the subject.

It appears from the papers enclosed in your Communication that the object of the memorialists is to induce the Miners in Kansas, and Indian Dealers of that region to send their gold to Chicago, and thus procure the trade of that Country. But it must here be noted that Chicago is about 2000 miles from the gold fields of Kansas and is not situated on the line of travel to or from that Country. It may well be doubted whether ~~whether~~ if the assay

office at that place would have the
effect the memorialists desire to accomplish
even if the government should deem it
expedient to produce such an effect by
diverting or establishing the Channels
of trade in that direction. An assay
office on the same principle might be
located for at Independence, St. Louis,
Cincinnati, Louisville, - and other cities
which might be named.

If it is deemed expedient to
~~establish~~ an assay office for the convenience
of the producers of gold in Kansas -
and they are the parties most interested -
such an establishment ought to be
located as near the mines as possible.
If the gold has to be carried some
thousands of miles to an assay office
it may with as much safety, and
probably more advantage, be carried
to the Mint to be manufactured into coin.
But it is highly probable that if gold
is produced in large quantities in

that region private melting and
assaying offices will be established,
which will meet the reasonable
emergencies of the case. I think,
^{therefore} it would be judicious to wait events,
and see what developments will be
made as to the production of
that region, and the wants of the
miners and bullion dealers.

In this connection I would suggest to
the department, whether it comes within the
~~constitutional~~ powers of Congress to provide
for manufacturing bars of gold or silver
for the purposes of trade and Commerce. The
power "to coin money and regulate the value
thereof" is expressly granted; and this part
doubtless includes the right to make bars
or ingots of gold and silver in so far
as they may be required for the purposes
of coinage; but to erect establishments
exclusively to manufacture bars for the
purposes of trade and Commerce is a
very different thing. The public are

interested in having a sufficient amount of coins
issued and in circulation, and hence the
establishment of the National Mint was one of
the earliest Acts of Congress: - but gold and
silver bars are valuable only to the owners
as articles of trade and Commerce, just as
Copper and Lead and other metals, or
Cotton or Wheat or other agricultural
productions are also valuable for that
purpose. I beg to suggest this point to
your consideration without enlarging further
upon it.

I remain, Sir, very respectfully,
Your faithful servant,

James R. Thompson,
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Herbert Cobb,

Sec. of the Treasury,
Washington City

U.S. Appraised Office.
Boston, Mch 26. 1860.

Dear Sir:

Will you please deliver
to Kimbley & Co. Express - the set of
master coins in gold and silver
for the present year?

I hope to see your work
describing the piece contained in
your Washington Cabinet - before
long.

Very Respectfully,

Yours,

Josiah Colburn

\$46. Enclosed.

James Ross Snowden, Esq.
Director U.S. Mint.

Wm
L. Colburn
Boston

Enclosing \$46—
Desires proof
Cons 1860. —

March 28, 1860

Menden Com
March 26/86

J R Snowden Esq
Dear Sir -

Yr. favor of
the 23rd inst. is recd with
the enclosures - for which
accept my thanks

Yr Rply.

Henry P. Lewis

From
H. B. Lewis
to J. Ross Snowden
Nov 26. 1860

March 24. 0.

Gentlemen.

Please deliver to Messrs John
McDowell & Co. Five casks of the Mint copper
on storage at your place. to blise

Respectfully Yours,

James R. Anderson,
Director of the Mint.

Messrs A. Trotter & Co.
Philadelphia }

To
Wm H
Phil

Order for cash
Coppell & Son
H.

March 24, 1860.

New York, 26. 60.

Gentlemen:

I have to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the
24th inst.

We can always pur-
chase American refined nickel
at the lowest price of the foreign
article and of equal quality;
once or twice we have purchased
foreign Nickel to supply occasi-
onal deficiencies, but such deficiency
does not now exist, and we
do not therefore, desire to pur-
chase any at this time.

Very Respectfully,
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint

Wm. J. Hollins & Co.
New York.

Duplicate

Philadelphia, March 24th 1860

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.
NICKEL.
COPPERAS.
BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN MCDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

21	8	Per Cent Alloy	2018 ^{ts}
22	8	"	Letto Do 2047
23	8	"	Letto Do 2037
"	4	"	Letto Do 982
			<u>7084^{ts}</u>

containing 850.08^{ths} Nickel @ \$1.50 1275 12

" 6233.92 Copper @ 25/2ct 1589 65

10 per cent for making alloy as per agreement 2864 77

3151 24

Or
By 4 Casks Copper

Correct #1225-1204-1241-1637 = 5307^{ths} @ 25/2ct

1353 28

\$1797 96

W. R. Received Payment

John McDowell Jr & Co

JOHN M'DOWELL, JR., & CO.

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

DE OF COBALT.

NICKEL.

COOPERAS.

ALLS VITRIOL.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

52

The Hon^{ble}

New York 24th March 1860.

I hope I may do

Sir

We have taken the liberty, some times

to offer you Nicks, English, German and Swedish, which we
know to be at least equal in quality to any you have used, and
as we are informed, at a less price, than you are paying -

If our nickel is as good as any you can
buy, and we can sell it cheaper to you, than you can buy
elsewhere, it seems to us manifest, you should buy from us.

Obliged as, by giving this application, your consideration.
It is worth while for us, to apply to the Secretary of the Treasury.
We are friends of his, and of the President.

We are dear to

Truly Yours

John A. Hollister to

We can always purchase these and
refined Nickel at the lowest price of
the foreign articles of equal
quality. -

We had once anticipated that
Occasional Depositions
not now
of it.

From To

John I. Adams & Co.

N.Y.

The Honble

J. Ross A. Brown

Director of the

Philadelp^hia

Exhibit

Sept 27, 1876.

St. Louis March 23/60

J. Ross Snowden Esq
to Sir

Enclosed I send
three cent. certificates \$120.

Please send them to J. H.
Lyons & Brothers 199 Washington
Street New York.

Please have them put
in bags of \$5.00 each.

Very respectfully
Yours

Jonathan Stearns

Phil^a March 24, 1860

Received of James Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint, three cent certificates
amt. together to \$120 proceeds to be
forwarded to J. H. Lyons & Brothers

199 Washington Street
New York C.

Adams Express Co
Jn L. Thompson

Am Lc

Jonathan Stuart
Leicester
Ms.

#120-Cent certifi-
cates enclosed
inclosed by
Adams Express

March 24, 1860.

March 24, 0.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 23^d inst enclosing three
~~Post~~ ~~and~~ ~~certificates~~ ~~amounting~~ ~~to~~
\$120, which I have placed in the hands of
the Adams Express Co. who will transmit
the proceeds ^{through} to the address contained in
your letter.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. S. S. S.
Director of the Mint.

Mr Johnathan S. S.
Trenton.
N. J.

**BONDS, SECURITIES, ETC., UNLAWFULLY ACQUIRED AND INVESTMENTS EXCEEDING THE LIMITS PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 5:
AS AMENDED**

Description	Par value	Book value	Name directors who, as shown by the books, approved the purchase of these bonds, and those required.
<i>[Faint handwritten notes in the Description column, including "4/5" and "1/2"]</i>			

3/23/1860

Bolivian Gold
sent by

J. H. ANDERSON

Description

Per value

Book value

during
approved the purchase of
Name director who is a

AS RECOMMENDED

BONDS, SECURITIES, ETC., UNLAWFULLY ACQUIRED AND IMPROPERLY EXCEEDING THE LIMITS PRESCRIBED

Washington

March 23^d 1860

dear Sir.

You will receive a letter from my friend Gov Dana, requesting your attention to a Box containing a considerable sum in gold Bullion which he has decided should be sent to the Mint. This parcel of gold has just been sent to him from Bolivia, at which country he has been our Minister for several years, & in consequence of a misdirection, has been travelling about from one place to another until he is a little apprehensive as to its safety. He is desirous of having you examine the Box when it reaches the Mint, & to compare the marks & seals with the description he sends, so that if there has been any

tampering with the fastenings
he may be able to prove, that it
done before delivery at the Mint.

I do not know but this may
be a little out of your established
routine; if so will you do him the
favor to give such order to the proper
officer as will secure his object;

With my kind remembrance
of our pleasant brief intercourse
before I left for California, & my
regards to your associates at the
Mint, I am

Very truly

Yours &c

H. J. Branson

Lee Snowdon

Director of the Mint.

From
A. J. Anderson Esq
Washington City

In relation
to Box containing
food bulletin
belonging to Gov
Sana en route
to Minn

March 27, 1860.

Gov Sana's
letter in hands
of Mr. H. L. L.

April 9.

0.

Dear Sir.

The box containing gold bullion from Bolivia, referred to in your letter of the 23^d ult. was received at the Mint on Saturday last. The fastenings, marks, seals &c, were found to correspond to the description given by You.

Enclosed please find duplicate assay memorandum exhibiting the weight, fineness & value of the deposit. It will be seen that the weight before melting was oz 185.57 Troy, which corresponds very well with 200 Castilian ounces.

The Mint certificate for the deposit is in the hands of Kinsley & Co. Express, Philad^a who made the deposit for You. The Express Co. will send You the certificate or collect the proceeds and forward them, as You may direct.

Hon John W. Dana,
Willards Hotel,
Washington City.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Anderson,
Director of the Mint.

Pittsburgh March 23/60

Amos B. Snowden Esq.

Dear Sir

Your favor of 21st
instant is duly received covering check
on Western Bank & Trust Co for Fifty one 9/10
Dollars being on file for one letter Bill
for 76 \$ Mint and on file for to date
and for which I thank you

Very respectfully
John C. Parny
By D. H. Gentry

250
17-50

J. H. GUY, President,
O. B. ARNOLD, Cashier.

CAPITAL, \$300,000

MERIDEN BANK,

Meriden, Conn.

March 21. 1860

Jas. Robt Shurden Esq
Dear Sir

Enclosed
please find Three dollars
and eighteen ¹⁸/₁₀₀ for which
send me set of silver coins
and cert for 1860.

Yours Respectfully

Henry P. Lewis

From Va

E. V. Perry Esq
Meriden
Conn

\$ 3 - enclosed

Set Master Com
Sent in return

March 23, 1860

March 23. 60.

Sir,

By instruction of the
Director of the Mint, I send
you a set of the proof silver
+ cent coins of 1860. the receipt
of which please acknowledge

Very Respectfully,
W. B. Linderman
Director of the Mint

Henry B. Levi Esq.,
Cincinnati, Ohio,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

O O Flint-Mick
Mar 20th 1860

Sir

Reports are in circulation in this part of the country that the small cents of 1857 are being bought in at the Mint ~~at a large~~ and a large premium paid for them.

Please inform me by return mail whether it is so or not and oblige

Yours Truly
N S Mick E J Whitney
Phil

From L

S. J. Whitney P.M.

Hunt P.O.

Ohio

As to purport
of letter at the
Hunt

March 23, 1860

33. Was certificate in full?

35. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?

37. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?

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52. When trust funds are deposited in other banks are they placed therein as individual deposits in the name of the bank as trustee

Total

March 23. 56

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 20th inst.

You have been misinformed as to
the purchase of cents of 1857 at the Mint.
The cent coins issued under the act of
Feb. 21. 1857, are not purchased at the Mint.
nor received in exchange for other coin.
The old copper cents of the 18th however,
are received at the Mint at their nomi-
nal value, in exchange for the new
cent.

Very Respectfully,
James P. Rendell,
Director of the Mint.

A. A. Whitney Esq.,
Post Office, Flint,
Mich.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 20th 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of \$9,999.76 in payment of invoice No 22.

I propose sending on the 26th or 27th whatever amount of silver bullion, may be deposited during this week. The present accumulation is about 4,000 ounces. The payment will be required in silver dollars.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Cress

Treasurer

J H Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

March 20/60

J. Hisco Treas

Recd \$9,999.16

Copy

Dubuque Iowa March 20. 1860

Dear Sir & Brother,

Owing to a protracted absence at the East, yours of the 20th ult. has been neglected, the same having reached this Office during my absence.

I now comply with your request by sending photographs of the celebrated Red Jacket Medal. It was given to him by Genl. Washington in May 1792 in confirmation of the ultimate Treaty of Peace & Amity made between the Six Nations of Indians & the U. S. after the Revolution. Medals were also given to other chiefs of the Six Nations, but this alone remains. It is not a Masonic token, but a token of National faith. Its symbolism is, that as silver neither rusts nor corrodes, but always keeps bright, so was this to testify that the friendship then established between the two races should always remain as bright and enduring as silver. This medal it is said was etched by Dr Rittenhouse the Great Philosopher, who, when a young man, was a Jesuit. The medal was made and presented in Philadelphia. Red Jacket always wore it

became he highly venerated Washington,
and at his death, which occurred in
1833, it ~~descended~~ descended to James Johnson
his Nephew, & at Johnson's death in 1851,
it descended into my possession.

I am fraternally Yours,
(Signed) Ely S. Parker

S. Hayden Esq.,

(Great Grand Son of
Red Jacket.)

Red Locket Medal

Stephen Dowd

Mar. 20, 1860

From
Wm. A. Parker

In reference to the
Red Locket Medal
forwarded by Washington

Boston, March 20, 1860.

Dear Sir,

Agreeably with your
desire I acknowledge the safe
arrival of the coins, for which
I am obliged to you. I should
like to know if you have on
hand gold dollars of all the
years in which they were coined.
If you have them & can let
me have a set, I will forward
the money & shall feel much
indebted to you.

Respectfully yours
Wm. Appleton -

From L^d
W. S. Appleton
Boston
Mass.

Desires to obtain
four volumes of
former years

March 23, 1864

March 29. 0.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th inst.

We have no gold dollars of former years on hand, except those preserved as specimens in the Mint cabinet.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Henderson,
Director of the Mint

Wm. D. Appleton Esq.,
Boston,
Mass.

Dr Jos W. Farnum N.Y.

Ballast & Drifted 6, Aqueduct

Robt Longman & Co, Brooklyn

S. J. Ambler & Elisabetha post N.Y.

Staten Island Smelting Co.

Intending Bids for 28

Bbls Mus Sweeps.

March 19. 1860.

Dr Jos W. Farnum N.Y.

New York

March 19. 60.

Mint Snaps for Sale.

Bids will be received until the 20th proximo, ~~at the Mint~~ to the undersigned, for the purchase of Twenty Eight Barrels of Mint Snaps. Bidders will state the price offered per pound avoirdupois, to be paid in gold coin, and before the delivery of the Snaps. An opportunity to draw samples of the Snaps will be afforded to bidders, at the Mint, at 10 o'clock A.M. the 29th inst.

James R. Buchanan,
Director of the Mint.

Robt Longman Esq.,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

March 19. 60.

Albion Snaps for Sale.

Will be received until the 10th of
January, addressed to the undersigned,
for the purchase of Twenty Eight Boxes
of Albion Snaps. Bidders will see
the form of order for pounds and cents,
to be paid for in gold, silver or before the
delivery of the Snaps. An opportunity
to draw samples of the Snaps, will
be afforded to Bidders, at the Mint,
at 10 o'clock A.M. the 29th inst.

James B. Boardman,

Director of the Mint.

Alfred B. Boardman & Co. Bankers,
Newark,
New Jersey,

March 19. 60.

Mint Snaps for Sale

Bids will be received until the 10th proximo, addressed to the undersigned, for the purchase of Twenty Eight Barrels of Mint Snaps. Bidders will state the price offered per pound and whether to be paid in gold coin, at or before the delivery of the Snaps. An opportunity to examine samples of the Snaps will be afforded to bidders, at the Mint, at 10. O'clock AM. the 29th inst.

James T. Freeman.
Director of the Mint

Dr. J. H. Tanner,
27 Cooper Street,
N. Y.

Monday, 11

Mint Snaps Sale.

Bids will be received under the
10th package, addressed to the undersigned,
for the purchase of Twenty Eight thousand
of Mint Snaps. Bidders will state
the price of feet per pound as well
du pois, to be paid in good coin,
at or before the delivery of the
snaps. An opportunity to view
samples of the snaps will be
afforded to bidders, at the Mint,
at 10 o'clock A.M. the 29th inst.

Samuel R. Venable
Director of the Mint.

S. J. Ambler Esq.
Elizabeth St.
New Jersey.



March 19th 1860

Col J R Snowden

Dear Sir

Enclosed you will find \$3-50 for which please send me a Post Note 1860 & for the Change send me some 1859 1/2 Dimes & 3rd Pieces. and can I get any more of them -

I have 4 Persons in this

City and several correspondents who would like to have a Post Note each, now if I enclose their Letters to you with you send them all in one Package to me by that means we save 2/- each & post Charge. Yours Truly

John K. Curtis

From To

J. R. Curtis

N.Y.

3. 50 enclosed

Prof. L. Selvin

150 to the Chair

Sent

March 29. 1870.

Albany, N.Y.

Dear Sir,

By direction of the
Director of the Mint I enclose
you a set of the Master Silver
and Cent coins of 1860, and
fifty cents in Silver change,
making together, \$3.50, - and
enclosed in your letter of the
19th inst. The Director
wishes me to say that
we have no $\frac{1}{2}$ dimes nor
3 cts 1859 on hand.

Very Respectfully,
A. R. Linderman

Director of the Mint

Mr. R. L. Luntz Esq.,
83 Beekman St.,
New York,

(ESTABLISHED JUNE, 1852.)

Grand Rapids, Mich., *March 19* 1860.

Jas Robt Saunders Esq
Dir A. Belmont Drftr

Your favor of _____ inst. is

received with enclosures

I enclose herewith ~~for collection~~

my # 4048. on letter ⁱⁿ Bk N.Y. \$50.

For which please send me by next
Express pennies of the new coinage

Recy

Wm. L. Wells

J. H. H. H.

From
W. J. Welles Esq
Banker
Sand Rapids
Mich

Enclosing Draft for
Fifty dollars for
new Cents

March 23, 1860.

Cents (\$50) forwarded
March 24, 1860
Under letter
enclosed

March 24, 01

Sir,

I send you today per Adams,
Express \$1.50 Fifty Dollars in Certificates,
being funds of check for that amount, enclosed
in your letter of the 19th inst.

Very Respectfully,

Samuel D. C. C. C.

Director of the Mint.

Wm. J. Miller Esq.
Grand Rapids,
Mich.

March 15th 1866.

Sir.

The set of Silver coins
sent on the 15th to my address
arrived in due time. I hasten
to acknowledge their receipt.

Respectfully
Yours &c Lee.

H. R. Linderman Esq.

Director's Clerk.

Philadelphia
Pa.

From
Francis A Lee
Salem
Mass,

Act. Progloms
1860

March 21, 1860. —

J. H. GUY, President,
O. B. ARNOLD, Cashier.

CAPITAL, \$300,000

MERIDEN BANK,

Meriden, Conn.

March 17, 1860

Wm Rob Snowden Esq
Dear Sir

How much
do you charge for pattern
coins of 1860? and could
you send me one coin
each of the denominations
dollar, half dollar, Quarter doll
ar, dime, half dime, Three cent
Twenty and half cent?

Yrs Resp^y

Henry P. Lewis

Circular Sent. 1860.

Recd March 17, 1860
of Mr H R Snodden
one set of Master
Silver.

Elbridge
Meriden Ct

Wm R Snodden
Philadelphia Pa

From El Rudsey
member
Coms.

ack. rec'd. proof
Com 1860

March 19. 1860.

From
Henry P. Loring

My dear

Comr,

Respectfully
Yours,

March 19, 1860

Circulars
~~Proclamation~~

Buffalo March 17th 1860

A. Ross Snowden Esq
Director U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

I wrote sometime since to my Niece Miss Gorton in relation to the Silver of 1860. she no doubt has called on you ere this. I wrote for a number of sets not for speculation, but for my "Numismatic friends." I understand that only one set is to be given to any applicant. My object in applying for more than one set was to save the Express charges &c. If not against your rules and regulations I now apply for the following gentlemen

F. S. Pease

C. R. Walker

D. B. Lilbert

James Parker

S. V. Stone

J. L. C. Jewett

O. P. Nichols.

You can send them all to my address, or my Niece will call for them. Whatever the charges are I will most

cheerfully pay, all I lack of the American
Silvers is the following,

Dollars 1804-5-38, 54-51-52

1/2 " 1796. 97-1816-52-4

1/4 " 1797. 1816. 23-27

Simes 1797. 98. 1804. 1810

1/2 " 1796. 97. 1802. 5

I should be pleased to hear
from you--

Respectfully Yours

C. J. Nichols

Cashier

B & E. R. R.

Emm H

C P Nichols
Buffalo
N.Y.

as to Master
Emm H

Mar 24. 1860.

March 24, 0.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th inst.

Your Min. ship for two, called at the Mint a few days since and obtained for you a number of pieces of the different denominations of Silver Coins of the present year. The Master Silver Coins of 1860 (including the cent) were offered to her at the prices stated in the enclosed circular, but in the absence of any instructions from you on the subject, she chose the former. If you desire a set of the master coins of 1860 for each of the pieces named in your letter, the same will be forwarded, on the receipt of the cost thereof, at the prices stated in the circular.

Very Respectfully,
James P. Thompson,
Director of the Mint.

C. P. Nichols Esq,
Care. B. & E. R. R.,
Buffalo, N. Y.

United States Assay Office,

New York, - Mar. 17, 1856.

Sir,

I transmit enclosed
a quarterly statement of
the business of this Office
for the quarter ending
31st December last.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servt.,

Saml F. Butterworth

Sup

Hon. J. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

From

Supt U.S. Assay Office
N.Y.

Your Statement

4th Dec 1859

enclosed

March 19, 1860.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 16. 1860

Sir

As per receipt and invoice enclosed
I have this day transmitted by the Adams
Express Company, four boxes silver bullion
of the net value of \$9,238.64

containing gold \$761.12 net, I will
thank you to remit silver dollars for the
former & double eagles for the latter.

Please inform me the latest period,
at which you can receive silver bullion from
this office, and pay for the same before
the close of the present quarter.

Very Respectfully
J. M. J. Esq.

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq.

Treas. U. S. Mint. Phila

March 17/60

L. H. & Co. Esq.

Invoice Silver Bullion

Original.

No. 22

New York, Nov 16 186

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia Four boxes of Silver bullion,

of the net value of Nine thousand, nine
hundred & ninety nine $\frac{7}{100}$ Dollars.

\$9999.76

J. P. Babcock

For the Adams Express Company.

19 Fremont St
Boston, Mar. 16, 1860.

J. Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the mint
Phil^a.

Dear Sir,

I am desirous of having a copy of your "mint Report" in which you refer to the subject of restriking the National Medals. I should be glad also of any of the previous years it may be convenient for you to send me. I am very much interested in numismatics and my friend Mr. Colburn referring to your report said it would be interesting to me. If you can supply me with it, Sir, I shall be under great obligations. May I ask the favor, also, of your Autograph on the fly leaf.

I have been interested in the Washington collection & should esteem it a great favor to receive a "memorial" of that cabinet.

You will, I suppose, soon send the proof or master coins for 1860 - for which I have paid for one gold, & five in silver.

I am, Dear Sir, Very Respty. & truly yours J. A. Wiggins

Thm
J. R. Mygaw E

Boston

Mass

Leslie's copy
of my annual
Report autograph
A

Mar 29. 1860.

Pittsburgh March 16/60

Wm Lloyd Snowden Esq

Dear Sir

You will please
send enclosed Bill Receipt and Duplicate
of the same for one Month's Rent for H. S. Mint
as per order received February 6th 1860 this Bill
turns out well and I think will give a good account
of itself - you can either remit me the amount or
advise me at your pleasure if you wish me to draw
on you for the amount

I remain respectfully
Yours &c
John L. Perry
By D. H. Perry

From
John C Parry &
Pittsburg
Mo

Treasurer's Roll

March 19, 1860.

March 21. Director
encloses his check
for \$61.90 in payment
of Mr Parry's Bill

March 21. 0.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find check
for Fifty one ⁰⁰/₁₀₀ dollars in payment of bill rendered
for one chilled roll furnished by You for the
Mint.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Anderson,
Director of the Mint.

John L. Barry Esq.
Pittsburg
Pa.

NAME	PAR VALUE	MARKET VALUE
Total,		

- 9a. When trust funds are deposited in other banks are they placed therein as individual deposits in the name of the bank as trustee?
If not, did you instruct bank?
10. Does bank receive in the trust department deposits of current funds subject to check or the deposit of checks, drafts, etc., for collection or exchange purposes?
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22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?
23. List criticisms, if any.

Duplicate

Philadelphia March 16th 1860
Mint of the United States
Bought of John Mc Dowell Esq^r & Co

15 th	8 Cases Cent Alloy	2035	
14 th	8 "	2042	
16	8 "	2017	
"	7 "	1721	
		<u>7815th</u>	

Containing	937.80 th	Nickel	@ \$1.50	1406.70
"	4090.	Copper	@ 25 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts	1042.95
	2787.20	Sitto	" 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	<u>654.99</u>
				3104.64
10 per cent for making alloy as per agreement				<u>310.46</u>
				3415.10

Or

By 3 Cases Copper	$\frac{1746}{1172} = 4090$	@ 25 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts	1042.95
3 "	$\frac{1563}{1074} = 3885$	@ 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	912.97
			<u>1955.92</u>
Correct			\$1459.18

Jas C Booth
M.A.R.

Received Payment

John Mc Dowell Esq^r & Co

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 15th 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of \$14,213.86 in Silver dollars and Gold Coins for invoices No. 20 + 21

Very Respectfully

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. Cisco
Treasurer

March 15/60

John Hiser Esq

Recd \$14,213.86 full of
Invoice No 20 + 21.

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Total,		

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21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?
22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?
23. List criticisms, if any.

23. List certificates, if any.

23. Did you make a thorough examination of the books and securities, auditing the trust and verifying the securities?

21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors.

MAR. 15 1860

VARIOUS DATES
INCLUDED

PROOF COINS

1859-60 ETC

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trust department to the banking department and trust funds.

Do you give full information and details.

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Office of the Adams Express Company,

320 CHESTNUT STREET,

Philadelphia, March 15 1860

Rec^d of the Director of the U. S. Mail

The following packages for delivery,

1 Marked J. R. Wiggins Boston \$15-

1 " M. S. Appleton Do 3-

1 " Chas Endicott Do 3-

1 " Jesse C. Pitt Albany^{N.Y.} 3-

1 " Francis W. Lee Salem Mass 3-

Adams Express Co

J. G. Thompson

Min^{is} blank



83 Moultrie St N.Y.
March 12th 1860

C R Snowden

Dear Sir

Please inform me
if the Master Coins for 1860
is ready for delivery
Also if I can obtain more
than one set which I want
for myself I have orders
from several correspondents
who wish me to get a
set for them who reside in
the Country - Anxious your
reply I remain Your Very Obedt

Chas R. Curtis

From

J. H. Curtis Esq
New York

Prof Combs

March 14. 1860

Meriden May 10

Sir

Enclosed please
find \$3.00 for which
send me a set of
trial silver pieces
including cent.

Please send as
soon as convenient
by mail, for postage
of which I send
stamp

changed H.R.L.

Yours in respect
E. B. Bridgely
Meriden
Conn

March 15, 60.

Sir,

By direction of the Trustees
of the Mint I send to the address
of James B. Pitt Esq, in your
name, for Adams Express Co.
a set of the Master's orders
and set copies of the
same, the receipt of which
please acknowledge,

Very Respectfully,
Wm. B. Linderman
Secretary.

Wm. A. Hill Esq,
Harrisburg,
Pa.

March 18. 60

Sir. By direction of the
Directors of the Anti-Slavery
and you address in
day per Adams Express
to a copy of the Massachusetts
sent copies of the present
year, the receipt of which
please acknowledge, &c.
Obliged, Respectfully Yours,
W. L. Garrison
Director

W. L. Garrison Esq
By Barnard
Boston, Mass,

May 15. 60.

Sir,

Pursuant to instructions
from the Director of the Mint, I
have this day forwarded to
you address, per Adams Express
Co., five sets of the new silver
+ cent ~~one~~ coins of this year.
The gold coins are not yet
ready for distribution, but
will be soon, as soon as
they are ready the set request-
ed by you will be forwarded.
Please acknowledge receipt &
oblige Respectfully Yours,

W. R. Anderson
Director

J. K. Higgin Esq.,
14 Murray St.
London,
England

March 15, 60.

Sir,

In direction of the Director
of the Mint I send to your
address today per Adams
Express Co. a set of the Master
Silver and Gold Coins of
the present Year, the receipt
of which please acknowledge
to Me.

Respectfully,

J. B. Linderman
Director Mint.

Yours Sincerely,

Care of F. H. Avery, Esq.

33 North Summer St.
Boston,
Mass.

March 15, 60.

Sir,

By direction of the Directors
of the Mint I enclose herewith
a set of the Master Silver &
cunt coins of the present
year, the receipt of which
please acknowledge, & return
Respectfully Yours,

A. R. Linderman,

Quintanilla, N. M.

E. C. Budgey Esq
Meriden,
Conn,

March 10. 60.

Sir,

By direction of the
Director of the Mint, I send
to your address to day, per
Adams Express Co. a set
of the new great coins of
the present year, the receipt
of which, you will please
acknowledge, & oblige

Very respectfully,
Wm. C. Endicott
Mintmaster

Francis Blake Esq
Salem,
Mass,

To,

J. K. Higgin Boston

W. J. Appleton do

Charles Endicott do

John H. Hickox Albany N.Y.

Francis Allen Salem Mass

E. C. Rudzey Meriden Conn.

March 15, 1860.

Sending each a set of
The Master Silver Sheet

Coins 1860 except

J. K. Higgin ~~who~~ to whom

5 sets were forwarded,

all sent per Express

except to E. C. Rudzey

which was forwarded

by mail

Hint of the United States,

Philadelphia,

186

Elizabeth McKim 15th 1860

Hon. James Ross Snowden,

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find a medal in bronze and one ~~in~~ plated, which you desired me to send to you, for which you said you would send me a set of your 3 beautiful Washington memorials. I hope you will add a cent. of 1859 with the reverse of 1860. I have the promise of two fine Washington medals different from any you have and hope that we may make a satisfactory exchange.

I am Yours truly
B. J. Haines

From
B. H. Ames
to J. Ross Snowden

Nov 15/1860

" Washⁿ Memorials "

Nov James R. Snowden
Phila

New Bedford March 15. 1862

Mrs. Snowden

Dear Sir,

On what terms
do you dispose ^(for cash) of the New Bents? If
satisfactory I shall send for some.

Please inform me

And oblige

Yours truly

Geo. W. Luckwell

Wm L

Geo T Tuckwell
New Bedford
Mass

As to obtaining new
cuts by purchase

about 17, 1860.

March 17 0

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 18th inst. I have to state that, the new cents are paid out at the Mint in exchange only for the pieces commonly known as the quarter, eighth and sixteenth of the Spanish & Mexican dollar and U. S. copper cents of old issue, which are received at their nominal value.

Very Respectfully,
S. R. Moulton,
Director of the Mint.

Geo. W. Chubbuck Esq.,
New Bedford,
Mass.

NAME	PAR VALUE	MARKET VALUE
Total,		

- 9a. When trust funds are deposited in other banks are they placed therein as individual deposits in the name of the bank as trustee?
If not, did you instruct bank?
10. Does bank receive in the trust department deposits of current funds subject to check or the deposit of checks, drafts, etc., for collection or exchange purposes?
11. Are all investments of trust funds authorized or approved by the directors or a committee of same especially designated for that purpose?
12. Is opinion of competent counsel obtained and filed in all important matters pertaining to trusts, both individual and corporate?
13. Where trust instruments specify character of investments, are investments made in accordance with such provisions?
14. Where trust instruments expressly leave investments to discretion of bank or its officers or directors, in what manner are investments authorized or approved, and in what manner is such authority or approval recorded?
15. Where trust instruments neither specify nor expressly leave the character of investments to the bank, its officers, directors, etc., are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?
16. Where trusts are under court order, are investments made strictly in accordance with the terms thereof?
17. Where court has by general order left investments to discretion of bank, or if in such cases general discretion is permitted by the laws of the State, are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?
18. Have any trust funds been loaned to any officer, director, or employee of the bank?
19. Are trust funds invested in securities or concerns in which officers, directors, or employees are interested? If so, list in detail.
20. Has the trust department, in any case, purchased from the banking department any of its assets as investments for trust funds, or has the trust department sold to the banking department any trust assets? If so, give full information and details.
21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?
22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?
23. List criticisms, if any.

Rochester NY
Mar 15th 1860

To
The Sup^t of the U.S. Mint
Philadelphia
Sir

There is
a report about Rochester, that
you have at the mint "com-
plete duplicate sets of
American Cents and Half Cents"
"for sale"! Is that a fact?
If so, or not, will you, if
you please, answer immedi-
ately? (If so) stating the price.

Yours Very Respectfully
D M Walbridge

Address

D M Walbridge
Rochester

Osborn House NY

Imm Ls

J M Walbridge

Rochester

N.Y.

As to purchasing
lets cents & half
cents for sale

March 17, 1860

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 15th inst. I have to state that you have been misinformed as to the Mint having "for sale" duplicate ^{gold} and half cents. Such is not the fact.

The masts coins of the present year are furnished to applicants upon the terms stated in the circular enclosed herewith.

Very Respectfully,
J. R. Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Mr E. M. Hallbridge
Osborn House.
Rochester,
N. Y.

Mauch Chunk Dec 15th 1860

Dr H R Lindeman

Dear Sir

Yours of the

14th inst enclosing check for \$10 as
my fee in procuring appointment of
Guardian for Mrs Rose Bender. It was
this day received for which please
accept my thanks

You will be kind enough to
have me put on U S pay for 5 May as
that will just suit me - Our court
will convene May 21.

With high regards

Truly Yours

S E Sites

Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office
March 14th 1860.

James H. Walton Esq.
Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

For:

Your a/c of Ordinary Expenses for
the yr ending 31st Dec '59 has been this day adjusted at the
Treasury per Rep to 136,960, and a balance, agreeing with
your a/c current, found to be due from you to the United
States of \$47,664.28.

The charges for expenses incurred
in the arrest of the robbers of the Mint Cabinet, disallowed
in former adjustment of your a/c, have been admitted under
direction of the Secy of the Treasury.

Very Respectfully

Your obt servt

W. McKend
Comptroller

Comptd U.S.

Washington

Mar 14/60

March 14/60

W. Meade

San Francisco

Ordinary Apt. Bureau

New York March 14th 1840

My dear Sir

This will introduce
to you my friend James Young Esq.
of Scotland, who will make
a short stay in Philadelphia,
and desires to see the Mint.

Mr Young, is one of the
most distinguished Chemists of
Europe, and a gentleman of
the very highest character. I beg
to bespeak for him your kindly
attention.

Truly Yours,

Col J Robt Snowden. J. M. J. Cisco

From
J. J. Cicco
To J. Ross Browder
Noch 14 1860
"Introduction No?
Yornig "

Duplicate

Philadelphia, March 14th 1860

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.
NICKEL.
COPPERAS.
BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN M^CDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

4 Boxes Nickel Alloy 830 $\frac{1}{2}$ ^{ts}

containing 664.40 lbs Nickel @ 1.50 996 60

166.10 " Copper 25 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts 42 36 103896

or

By 1 cask Copper 1345^{ts} @ 25 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts

Correct
John H Taylor }
Asst M^r R }

342 97
\$ 695 99

Received, Payment

John McDowell Jr & Co

No 94

Philadelphia, March 14/1850

M. S. Mount
Owner of
Dr. Sudderman

Bought of **JERRY WALKER,**

Importer and Dealer in Wines, Brandies, Cigars, &c.

No. 231 (75) CHESTNUT STREET.

July 11	4 bottles	B. S. O. P	12 00
	4	" Old Rye	3 00
	3	" Royal D. Sherry	4 50
	2	dors Bro. Port	4 50
	2	" Sch. ale	5 00
14	1 1/2	" do do	3 75
			32.75

Plsd M. S. Mount
J. S. Walker
J. C. Walker

ESTABLISHED 1836.



TERMS CASH.

Philadelphia th February 18 1860

U. S. Mint

Bought of Thompson Black

GROCER, WINE AND TEA DEALER,

N. W. Corner Broad and Chesnut Streets.

20 crackers

8

16

4 1/4 Cheese Received Payment

15

64

Thompson Black

80

Mon 19/60 L. S. Black

Received Payment

Phila 15 Mar. 1860

U.S. Mint

To John Mirkil Dr.

! To two gallons Hock wine @ 2.30 \$4.60

Correct

Jas C Booth

Mt. R.

Recd Payment
John Mirkil

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 14. 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of Twelve Thousand five hundred dollars in 9c
of invoice No. 20.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Eisco

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Pres. Assay Off

N. York

Mar 14 / 60

March 14/60

John H. Carey

Treas

ack recd \$12.000

Dec
14 1860

Barracksville Marion County Va,
sir there has bin some kind of oar
found hear and hit is anistry
to know what it is ~~or a gun~~
and if hit i would send a little of
the oar to you to now what it is and
if it is of any value and if it is
i will send you son more of it
the vein is supposed to be about
three feet thick yours respect fully
please answer this as soon as possible
direct your letter to Barracksville
Marion County Virginia
and to
Calvin Lee

Imds

Calum Ico

Baracksmith

70

Sample Pyrite^{r 15}

March 16, 1860.

March 16, 60.

Sir,

The specimen enclosed in your letter of the 14th inst is a substance generally known as "Pyrites". It is very common and possesses no value.

Very Respectfully,
S. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Mr. Calvin Lee,
Baracksville
Marion Co.
Virginia,

Brooklyn, March 14, 1860

Hon, James R. Snowden

Feeling as I do
simply a private citizen of the U.S.
an American by birth as well as at
heart, reading over the Art Committee
report for to embellish the Capitol. Also
as to their remarks in the same report
of the apparent deficiency in the Government
coinage, permit me Sir, to introduce
to You my views in part - feeling as I do
for that worthy man - the Father of our Country
George Washington - for me to suggest
to You, the simple and I trust an effective
design that will make our coinage worthy
of handling as well as to commemorate
One of the greatest Generals the World
ever had. I herewith please your Honor
would say, that on the Gold Eagle, the Silver
Dollar and half - the Emblem of an Equus
Statue of Washington on one side of the coin
the effigies of Washington at Mount Vernon
on the other side, - Rush, Lewis & M. D.

Room

J. W. Ballou

Nov 14/60

Suggestions of emblems
for coins

Phila 13. Mar. 1860

Dear Sir

The assay of Mr Chambers' Quartzose
Gold Ore from Kansas yielded _____
25 Penny weights to the bushel
or 100 lbs. a.d.p., which is the usual mode of esti-
mating those ores, In this mode of estimation also
the Dwt. is estimated at \$1.00 in value, without
reference to the amount of silver contained in the
gold.

Very truly yours
J^{as} C Booth

J.R. Snowden Esq
Director)
U.S. Mint

Entered

Report

By A. C. Booth

~~Assay~~

Assay Mr Chambers

Quartz found on Kansas

March 13, 1860. -

Missouri City Kan. Ter. March 12th 1860

Sir

Enclosed are Six Ounces of Gold Dust which
you will please assay and remit its value in
Coin by Express to me at La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Yours
O. H. Stone

The above mentioned amt was remitted you
from Denver City. 18th Mch & this letter inclosed.
You will please comply with the above
request, and oblige
Very Respy

Denver City
April 4th 1860

R. D. Bradford & Co
per R. D. Bradford

30 Mar. 60 No 348 Tellmire St. Ls. Kansas 5.85 of 5.56
drawn April 3rd 1860 \$100.19 by "Jos. Griffith"

$$\begin{array}{r}
 25 \\
 5 \\
 \hline
 6 \overline{) 125} \\
 \hline
 20.83
 \end{array}$$

United States Mint

Philadelphia

April 27, 1860

Respectfully
obey

From
 Wm. B. B. B. B. B.
 & Sons
 New York
 N. Y.

Six Dollars Gold
 from W. B. B. B. B.

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
March 12th 1860

James G. Watson Esq
Treas U S Mint
Philadelphia
Sir

Your Bullion
account for the 4th Quarter 1859 has
been received.

Very Respectfully
J. L. Smith
Auditor

C. L. Smith

1st Auditor

Washington

Mar 12/60

Receivd of

T. L. Smith

Debit

March 12/60

Duplicate

Philadelphia, March 10th 1860.

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.
NICKEL.
COPPERAS.
BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN MCDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

8 th	8 Basu Cent Alloy	2042 th
9 th	8 " Little	2040
"	8 " Little	2029
"	5 " Little	1232
		<u>17342th</u>

Containing 881.16th Nickel @ \$1.50

1321 7/4

" 6461.84 " Copper @ 23 1/2 cts

1518 5/8

10 percent for making alloy as per agreement

2840 27

2840 3

3124 30

By 6 Casks Copper

No.

#1257-1040-1039-1060-1136-1657 = 7183th @ 23 1/2 cts

1688 01

Comat
John H Taylor
Asst M R

Received Payment
J. McDowell Jr & Co

\$ 1436.29

William Sellers & Co.

William Sellers &
John Sellers Jr.

Founders and Machinists.

Pennsylvania Avenue & 16th St.

Philadelphia March 10. 1880.

J. Ross Snowden Esq

Director U.S. Mint.

Philadelphia.

Dear Sir.

We will agree to make for you one
Grinding machine for dies in Coining Room of
the U.S. Mint as per accompanying sketch -
with Counter shaft and reciprocating machinery
below the floor complete delivered at our works -
for Five hundred and seventy five dollars (\$575.)
or at our usual shop prices as you may elect
on giving the order.

Any additional attachment at Building such
as cranes from Girders to Girders that may be
required to put the machine up will be charged
extra - all of which we respectfully submit.

Very Respectfully

Yours truly

Wm. Sellers & Co.

Mint of the United States,
MELTING & REFINING DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, 9 March 1860

Dear Sir

I now comply with your request, made last year, to inform you when the business of my Dept^t shall have so far diminished, that some of our operative force may be dispensed with.

The average value of silver & Copper deposits ~~dep~~ in exchange for the new Cent during the last three months, from 1st Dec. 1859 to 29th

Feb. 1860, was for each week \$4,747, say \$5000

Our present indebtedness is (Mar. 8th) \$15,000

With our present force we ^{or could make} make _{with ease}

at the rate pr. week of \$10,000

We now employ two gangs of hands for cent melting, but with one gang we could as easily execute, pr. week of only 4 days \$7,000

Production of one gang, over average deposits, pr. week \$2,000

By this latter arrangement, while making, or capable of making, about \$7000 pr. week we have full $2\frac{1}{2}$ days left for the whole force to work in gold & silver, which w^d be more than sufficient for the demand.

But as it is desirable on every account that picked men
 & the same set of men should work at gold & silver,
 the whole force might be distributed in such a manner
 that four furnaces could be kept on Copper during the
 whole week, & the other three furnaces during several days
 of the week, say 2 or 3 days, by the bullion force of hands.
 The bullion force would then have $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$ days for
 gold & silver melting

Hands

A full force of men for Cent melting, &c for 4 furnaces
 would be 18 hands, who could produce in $5\frac{1}{2}$ days
 12,320 lbs., which would make about \$6000 of
 cents pr. week.

18

A full force for melting, Refining, sweep-grinding,
 watching, weighing, &c would be

16

To these add two extra melters & a coal heaver,
 who are called on in case of need, for other work

3

making the total force of men required for the
 efficient working of the M & R. Dept.

37

At present the whole force is

48

making the number of hands not needed

11

Since the bullion force could work at 3 furnaces
 during 2 or 3 (say $2\frac{1}{2}$) days in the week, they
 could melt 4200 lbs. cent metal in that time,
 & this would make about \$2000 of cents

per week. On the remaining days they could perform all that the Bullion melting has demanded for some time past. By the amount of operative force, which I have indicated, while ample justice can be done to bullion melting, we could deliver about \$8000 of cents per week.

I will further say that with the present amount of business, which has manifestly diminished, especially in cent-melting, our force is so large as to be unwieldy & difficult to arrange, so as to give sufficient occupation to the whole; in fact it is impossible. I believe that the work of the Dep^t would be better performed with the diminution of force, & at an annual saving of more than \$6000.

I respectfully submit the above views for your consideration, as the results of my observation and conclusions during many months passed.

Very truly yrs.

J. C. Booth

M. & R.

J. R. Snowden Esq
Director
U. S. Mint

From
Mr J. C. Booth
M + B

Recommends reduction
of force in his
department

9th March 1860,

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 9. 1860

Sir

As per receipt and invoice
herewith enclosed, I have this day
forwarded by the Adams Express Co.
three boxes silver bullion of the net
value of \$ 8,213.86 for which please
 remit Silver dollars & Gold Coins

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm. J. Sco

Treasurer

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Mar 9/62

March 9/62

John J. Lewis Esq

John Bullin \$8,213.86

Original.

No. 21

New York, Mar 9 1860

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia Three boxes of Silver bullion,
of the net value of Eight Thousand, two hundred
thirteen $\frac{81}{100}$ Dollars.
\$ 8,213.81

John Hoey

For the Adams Express Company.

Butler March 9 - 1860

Dr R R Linsman

Dr Sir

When I
last wrote you, I stated I went
to Fennaco, Mr Stewart who
owns a Fennaco in Lawrence
Co and one in this County,
proposed to go down as he had
never been there, he was pleased
with it. tho he enquired what
I had offered it at. I did not
suppose he thought of purchasing
having two Fennacos on hand
to my surprise he came back
last evening and said he
would take it. I am sorry
you could not have made a
sale, but there is no time to
be lost, the adulteration & destruction

is terrible. Besides Wood cut
on other people's land must
be taken off soon or it would
be forfeited. They want to use
the land, and would be claiming
damages or take the wood.
I have been keeping persons
there to take care of the property,
and from all accounts they have
been committing depredations.

The price \$14,000 is no price still
I was glad to get it into the
hands of a good man who will
exercise ownership over it.

There is the Original
Deeds down to the Winfield
Co. they are of no use to any
one except the owner of the property.
I would be under obligation
to you if you would get them
(perhaps Mr. Purdy has) and send
them to me
Yours Truly
Sawdell Lane

~~Mar~~ 9. 1860

From Saml Lane

Peabody Institute.

SOUTH DANVERS, MASS.

March 7th / 00

J. R. Snowden Esq

Dear Sir

I enclose

The Voucher with Signature -

Please have the kindness to inform me how much time would be required to engrave the new die - and if the workmanship would be equal to Mitchell's - It is possible that the Committee may adopt a new design - a medallion profile head of Mr. Peabody which would be more simple in its form - Would it not also be less costly in its execution? -

Very Truly

Yours
R. Pooler

Saml
Fitch Poole
South Danvers
Mass,

As to engraving
of new Reatody
tie

March 12, 1860.

Albany N.Y.
103 Colonic St.

March 5th 1860.

Col. S. A. R. Snowden
Philadelphia
Penn.

Dear Sir.

I learning through the
columns of Harpers Magazine that you
were collecting two sets of Coins &c. I.
Enclose you Stamp of a Washington
Cent. 1791. do you desire it if so what
is it worth to you. It has been in my pos-
session some 30 years and is perfect in
every respect. also have augio or
Franklin Copper. and the Massachusetts
Cent of 1787. & 1788.

Yours Respectfully
Thos. H. Day
" " "

also a Half Cent 1804 " 1809 " 1826.

From To

Thos H Day

Albany

New York

Washington

March 8. 1860

March 8th 0.

Dear Sir,

With my thanks for your
favor of the 3rd inst I have to state
that as I hope two or three copies
of the Washington Cent of 1791 (large
eye to secure) - referred to in your letter - it
will be unnecessary to procure the one
in your possession. The same
marks apply to the other coins you
mention,

I am, very respectfully,
Your O^bd^t Servant,
James Pop Chandler,
Director of the Mint.

Thomas G. Day Esq.
Albany New York.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 8th 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
\$ 14,156.82 for balance due on invoice N^o 19.
and \$ 13,233.61 on ac^t of N^o 20.

Very Respectfully

J H Watton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm J Waco
Treasurer

March 8/60

John Hicco Terry

\$ 14,156.82 in full of
Invoice No 19. &

\$ 13,233.61 in apt of
No 20.

Meriden Mar 7th 60
Director of U. S. Mint

Dear Sir

Of
it will not be encroaching upon
your time too much may I ask
you to fill up the enclosed list. That
is write the prices ~~at~~ which you
will send me the coins specified
if you have them at the Mint as
I suppose you have. I do not wish
to annoy you any more than I can
help but I want to make up my
collection & do not know of any other
way. Please write soon and
oblige

Yours Truly
E. A. Wilcox

Please send me 1860 Dime coin when settled

From To

E. A. Wilcox
Meriden
Conn

List of
coins

March 9, 1860

March 9. 60.

Sir

The enclosed circular is sent as a response to your letter of the 7th inst. The March Comm for 1860 are now ready and you can obtain them through the Express Company or by making a business application.

The Mint keeps no supply of the Coins of the preceding years; for them you must apply elsewhere.

Respectfully yours

S. B. Nichols.

P.S. Return the P.O.

Mr. E. A. Litch

Stamps in

Meriden

Conn.

Total,

- 9a. When trust funds are deposited in other banks are they placed therein as individual deposits in the name of the bank as trustee?
If not, did you instruct bank?
10. Does bank receive in the trust department deposits of current funds subject to check or the deposit of checks, drafts, etc., for collection or exchange purposes?
11. Are all investments of trust funds authorized or approved by the directors or a committee of same especially designated for that purpose?
12. Is opinion of competent counsel obtained and filed in all important matters pertaining to trusts, both individual and corporate?
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20. Has the trust department, in any case, purchased from the banking department any of its assets as investments for trust funds, or has the trust department sold to the banking department any trust assets? If so, give full information and details.
21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?
22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?
23. List criticisms, if any.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 5th 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$40,259.71 in Gold Coins and silver dollars, in full payment for invoices No 13 and 18. also .39 for balance due on No 17.

As per Statement enclosed I have this day forwarded for The Adams Express Co. Eleven boxes silver Bullion, of the net value of \$29,028.53 Contains Gold \$2,205.08 net I will thank you to remit silver dollars for the former, and double eagles for the latter.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

J. H. J. Esq

Treasurer

March 5/60

L. J. Cisco Esq
Treas

Invoice No 20. Silver

Bullion \$29,028.53

Original.

No. 20

New York, May 5 1860

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia *Seven* boxes of *Silver* bullion,
of the net value of *Thirty one thousand,*
Two hundred thirty three $\frac{61}{100}$ — Dollars.

\$ 31,233.61

John Hoey

For the Adams Express Company.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 4. 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$45000.
in Gold Coins on acc of invoice etc
19.

Very Respectfully

J H Watson Esq
Treasurer US Mint
Philadelphia

Wm J. Allen
Treasurer

March 7/60

John H. C. E. y

Recd \$75,000

Washington March 4th 1860

James R. Snowden Esq.

Dear Sir

There is a bill pending before the Committee of Commerce giving the power to coin to the assay office at New York - It is prepared on several grounds -

- 1st The expense of transportation from Philadelphia to New York on Bullion which is paid at \$10,000 per annum -
- 2^d The risk and danger of loss as it is alleged by Mr. Cookson no insurance can be effected -
- 3^d The loss of time & great delay, being generally from two to four weeks involving a heavy loss of interest on the funds - I had the consideration of the question postponed until I could get some statistical information touching these points - But the

glad to hear from you at your
earliest convenience. Mr
E. J. Morris introduced me to
a gentleman by the name of
Griffiths some time ago, who said
he would furnish me with
some stories on the subject
but I have not yet heard
from him. There is so
much confusion in the
Hall that I must close, or
be too late for the mail.

Respectfully yours
J. K. Howard

To Mr L

Hon J. K. Pollock

Washington City

Proposed establishment
of Branch Mint
at New York

March 7, 1860

"J. G. May Jr."

March 4/1860

From J. W. Westcott
to J. W. Westcott

Post Office
Cleveland Ohio
3 March 1860

Sir

Permit me to make the Enquiry if
I can send to the U.S. Mint my surplus
small coin Three cent pieces Dimes
Half Dimes and Coppers mostly old
coinage

In the Receipts of the Post Office,
this kind of currency is continually accumulating
and I find it difficult to pay it out and if
it can be exchanged for currency of a larger
denomination I shall be greatly obliged to you
for the information

I am Yours Respy

P. Harrington Jr

J. A. Snowden Esq
Director U.S. Mint

Wm L

J. Harrington
Post Master

Cleveland
Ohio

Exchange Small
Seven cts & 2

March 8. 1860

Mint of the U. S.

Philadelphia, March 8th, 1861.

Sir:

I have received your letter of 3^d inst. and in reply have to state, that the Mint does not receive U. S. Coins for the purpose of recoinage. The Silver Coins of small denominations, to which you refer, would not, therefore, be received here upon deposit.

The Copper Coins of the U. S. are receivable in accordance with the provisions fixed by my Circular of 27 April, 1857 (and a copy of which I enclose) in exchange for Cents of the new issue. The expense of the transportation of them to the Mint, however, must be paid by the party depositing them. The cost of returning the Cents for which they are exchanged, is borne by the Mint.

I am, very respectfully, Yours, &c.

Samuel R. Snowden,

Director of the Mint.

P. Harrington, Esq.,
Postmaster,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Duplicate

Philadelphia, March 3^d 1860

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.

NICKEL.

COPPERAS.

BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN MCDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

July	29	8 Cases Cent Alloy	2057 ¹⁵
Mo	2	8 " " " " " "	2043
	"	8 " " " " " "	2035
	"	5 " " " " " "	1175
			<u>4310¹⁵</u>

containing 877.20¹⁵ Nickel @ \$1.50 1315 80

" 6432.80¹⁵ Copper @ 23¹/₂¢ 1511 71

10 percent for making alloy as per agreement 2827 51

2827 51 3110 20

Cr

By 5 Cases Copper

No 4

\$1107-1170-1619-1184-1195 = 6275¹⁵ @ 23¹/₂¢

1474 62
\$1635.64

Correct

Jas C Booth

M.A.R.

Received Payment

J. McDowell Jr & Co

United States Assay Office
New York March 2nd 1860

My dear Sir I enclose a letter which
has been evidently directed to me
by mistake, as it is addressed to you.
I have read the proposed bill; the
man who prepared it ought to be
forced to take the office of Supt. at the
proposed salary of \$2,500 per ann., or
a more just punishment would be
to make him take Mr Edelman's place
at the proposed salary of \$1,400! As
this bill contains no clause repealing
the Act creating the assay office, I
take it for granted that we are to
have both a Dr Mint & an assay office.
I think it proper to say to you that I take
no interest in this movement, I am
content with the present condition of affairs,
tho I think this office should have power
to coin & save expense of transportation re
Hend. J. R. Snowden } I am truly Yr friend
Director } S. R. Butternut

I am
J. P. Patterson
Supr U. S. Assay Off
N.Y.

Enclosing letter from

Sec Treasury
directed to me but
sent to him

Mar 3. 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 2nd 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
\$100,000. in Ac of invoice No 18.

An early remittance of Silver dollars
for invoice No 13. transmitted on the 13th ult.
will be duly appreciated by depositors.

As per receipt and statement enclosed
I have this day forwarded one bar fine
gold bar, of the net value of \$89,156.82
for which please remit double eagles

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

J. W. I. Esq

Treasurer

Great Assay Off

N. York

Mar 2/60

Original.

No. 19

New York, Mar 2 1860

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia — One box of Gold bullion,
of the net value of Eighty nine Thousand —

One hundred & fifty six ⁸²/₁₀₀ Dollars.
\$ 89,156.82

Thos. H. Roe

For the Adams Express Company.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

March 1. 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of \$171,512. in Gold Coins. as the receipt of The Adams Express Company calls for the Amount of \$171,512.39 I presume the Fraction was overlooked in making up the Am^t.

You will please include that in your next remittance.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Geo

Treasurer

J. H. Watson Esq

Treas^r U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Treat. assay of

N. York

Mar 1/60

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860/MARCH

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860/MARCH - REPORTS

Mint of the United States

Philadelphia March 6. 1860

Sir:

I have received your letter of the 27th ultimo, enclosing a copy of a Bill for "the establishment of a Branch Mint at New York", and asking me to communicate my views in full on the subject - "as to the expediency of the establishment of such Branch; the expense of putting it in operation; the annual expense of carrying on the operations thereafter; and any other further information you may be able to furnish."

In accordance with your request, I herewith present my views upon the subject. -

I. As to the expediency of the proposed measure.

1. It is not desirable, at a general principle, that there should be many Mints.

The expenses of coining are much increased by dividing the operations. The probabilities of loss, either from the want of fidelity or skill in the officers intrusted with the operations are, also, multiplied, and the certainty of maintaining the exact legal standard of fineness and weight are proportionably diminished.

For these and other reasons, which might be adduced, it would seem the best policy of the Government to have but one Mint.

But, owing to the great extent of our country, and the fact that Gold is largely produced in our distant possessions on the Pacific, and that the chief city in our Southern Border is situated near the Silver-producing regions of this Continent,

the establishment of Branch Mints at San Francisco and New Orleans seems useful and expedient. And the same reasons, to some extent, apply to the existence of the two small Branch Mints placed in the heart of the gold producing region in our Southern States. But to establish a Branch Mint not 100 miles from the principal Mint and within four hours travel by Railroad is entirely unnecessary and inexpedient.

2. It is not expedient, because the commercial interests of New York, the interests of Bullion dealers, and the public at large, are as well served by the present arrangements as if a Branch Mint were established there. Bullion deposited in the Assay Office is paid for in coins as soon as it is melted, assayed, and its value calculated. The same operations would have to be performed

and time occupied, if a Branch Mint were established there.

3. It is unnecessary and, therefore, inexpedient; because the Mint at Philadelphia is capable of performing all the coinage which may be required. In 1851, 1852 and 1853 the Mint received, refined and coined upwards of \$50,000,000, in each year, and having, then, a sufficient bullion fund, the depositors were paid, generally, in two days after the deposits were made. The operations in 1853 embraced the receipt of \$61,682,971 of bullion, and the coinage of \$60,111,249 comprised in nearly 70,000,000 pieces. Since that time, the capacity of the Mint has been increased. The amount deposited for coinage and fine bars at all the minting establishments, including the Assay Office, during the last year, was only \$34,001,095.

This Amount, compared with the estimated production of Gold in the United States, shows that about \$26,000,000 have been exported directly from California without passing through the Minting establishments of the U. States; any further increase in the number and capacity of the Mints would, therefore, seem to be unnecessary;

4. It is not expedient; because it would - in addition to the cost of establishing the Branch Mint - occasion the very unnecessary expense of maintaining two sets of Officers and workmen, when the public service, as well as the wants of the community, are as well, if not better, provided for by one.

II. The expense of putting it in operation.

1. The building now used for the operations of the Assay Office, at New York, is barely sufficient for melting and refining purposes.

It does not afford room for the offices of the Superintendent, Treasurer and other Officers. These are accommodated in a front building near to, but separate from, the building used for the operations required on the precious metals. It is, therefore, evident that a new site will have to be purchased. As it would be highly expedient, if not absolutely necessary that the new building should be adjoining the Assay Office, the ground to be purchased would be in the most valuable part of New York. The price paid for the site of the Assay Office was \$553,000; as the space required for coming purposes would be larger than that now occupied by the Assay Office the cost of the ground would not fall short of the above named sum, and would, probably, reach, if it did not exceed, \$700,000.

2. The cost of constructing the Assay Office building and fixtures was \$208,493.62. The cost of a building of the character and dimensions required for coining purposes would, in all probability, not fall short of \$300,000, greater space and firmness being required for those operations than for melting and refining merely.

3. The cost of machinery, apparatus and implements may be estimated at \$150,000; a less sum might be sufficient to furnish machinery to meet the probable demands for coinage, but the capacity of a Mint should always exceed its average amount of business, in order promptly to execute great and sudden demands for coin. The danger of working the precious metals in a Mint of too limited a capacity for the demand was unhappily shown in the serious losses

increased \$2,500, and that of the Treasurer \$2,000 per annum. These sums show a proposed expense, for officers, of \$6,500 per annum. But it is probable that the expenses on this account would, hereafter, be increased.

The following statement may serve to elucidate this point.

Present Salaries

U. S. Mint Philada		Mint Office N. Y.		Proposed Br. Mint	
Director	3,500	Superintendent	3,500	Supt.	6,000
Treasurer & Asst Tr. U. S.	3,000	Tr. & Asst Tr. U. S.	6,000	Tr. & Asst Tr. U. S.	8,000
Assayer	2,000	Assayer	3,000	Assayer	3,000
Melter & Refiner	2,000	Melter & Refiner	3,000	Melt. & Ref.	3,000
Coiner	2,000			Coiner	2,000
Engraver	2,000	None required		Engraver	none required
Asst. Assayer	1,500	Asst. Assayer	2,000	Asst. Assayer	2,000
Asst Melter & Ref.	1,500	Asst. Melt. & Ref.	2,000	Asst Melt. & Ref.	2,000

When the Mint Office was est-

ablished the salaries were fixed at the

same rates as those of officers performing similar duties at Philadelphia, but they have, since, been increased, by adding \$1,000 to the Assayer and the same amount to the Melter and Refiner.

As the Coroner is the coëqual of the other operative officers his salary would doubtless be made the same, and he would also, probably, be provided with an Assistant, inasmuch as the other operative officers at New York are now provided with Assistants. How far other additions would be made in view of the increased duties of the Assayer and Melter & Refiner and their Assistants, can only be a subject of conjecture.

2. The Bill provides for the additional Clerks at \$1400. per annum. This is an increase of \$2,800 per annum. At present, one of the Clerks in the

Assay Office receives \$2,500, another \$2,200, two \$1,800 each, one \$1,600 and another \$1,500. It

may be expected that the salaries of the ad-

120,000

ditional Clerks for the Branch Mint will be made to equal those in the Assay Office.

3. The expenses for wages of Workmen for incidental and contingent expenses, and wastage, may be estimated at \$50.000 per annum.

To sum up, the expenses may be estimated - without including the probable increase of salaries - as follows:

Purchasing Site	700.000
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Constructing the Building	300.000
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Cost of Machinery, implements &c	150.000
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Estimated expense of putting the	}	
Branch Mint in operation		
		1.150.000

Annual expense attending the operation.

Salaries of Officers and Clerks	9.300
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Wages, Incidental expenses &c	50.000
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Interest on cost of Construction, since	}	
Bonds to that amt. would have to be issued		
		69.000
		128.300

4. The arrangement of business between the Assay Office and the Mint affords, at the present time, every facility to depositors of bullion which they could obtain if the proposed Branch Mint were established. And this is accomplished at a small expense to the Government. I annex a Statement of the cost of transportation since the establishment of the Assay Office to the close of the last calendar year. It will be seen that the expenses last year were only \$2,068.33, and that the average annual expenses have only been \$8,905.65. These transfers are made with great regularity and despatch. Bullion is sent forward from New York, after business hours, and reaches the Mint in the morning: so that no delay is experienced in the operation. In the return of the coin also, the transportation is generally made after the hours of business.

With a railroad connection of but four hours travel, and the transportation in the hands of an experienced, reliable and enterprising company, the institutions are brought very near to each other, and the operations of coinage experience but a trifling delay.

IV. The following general remarks are made in response to the last part of your communication.

1. As to the Bullion Fund. The object of the Government, in supplying the several Minting establishments with a bullion fund, is to enable them to pay the owners of bullion the value of it as soon as that value is ascertained by an Assay; and, thus, the owner need not wait until his bullion is coined or put into bars. The bullion fund enabled the Mints to have a stock of coin and bars on hand, in which payments may be made.

This arrangement is not compulsory on the Government, but it is permissive merely, when the state of the Treasury will admit of it. Formerly, the condition of the Treasury permitted the Mint to be supplied with a large bullion fund; and, hence, deposits of bullion; although upwards of \$50,000,000 annually were received, for several years, were paid, generally, the day after the bullion was received. For some time past, the bullion fund at the Mint has been very small. It is now \$186,000; only \$66,000 of which is in gold; and, hence, when deposits of any magnitude are received, the bullion must be made into coins before payments can be made. And yet, notwithstanding these circumstances, the increased activity in the Mint has enabled it to continue prompt payments when the deposits are not

large in value, and make returns, during the last two months, of nearly three millions in coin to the Assay Office; an average of $3\frac{1}{2}$ days after the bullion was received. If a Branch Mint were established at New York, the same length of time would be required for coinage as in this Mint; and, hence, no public interest would be subserved by such an institution. On the contrary, the Government might find it necessary to increase the bullion fund; because two separate establishments engaged in coinage would require a larger total amount of a bullion fund than either one of them.

2. The establishment of a Branch Mint at New York would not increase the coinage of the United States: inasmuch as all demands for coins, at that place,

are paid, under the present arrangements,
between the Mint and Assay Office.
Moreover, for commercial purposes, fine
bars are preferred to coin; and every
facility for the preparation of these is
now furnished at the Assay Office.

3. Although more bullion is now received
at New York than at Philadelphia,
the latter is nearer the specie centre,
so to speak, of the United States, than
the former, and affords equal, if not
greater, facilities for distribution. The
proposed railroad connexion with the
Pacific will, if completed, increase the
advantages now possessed by the
National Mint at Philadelphia; both
as it relates to the receipt of bullion
and the distribution of coin.

4. The location of the National Mint

in Philadelphia by the founders of our government was a fortunate and judicious one. The advantages she possesses for manufacturing - and the Mint is a manufactory - will favorably compare with any other city in the Union. So, likewise, her facilities for communication with all parts of the country are unrivalled; and she is securely situated, as an interior city, not open to the ocean, and, therefore, comparatively secure, in the event of a foreign war.

I have the honor to be

with great respect

Your faithful servant,

Signed James Ross Snowden

Director of the Mint

Sir,

Howell Cobb
Secretary of the
Treasury

Statement of the Expenses of Transportation of
 Bullion and Coins between the Mint at Phila:
 and Assay Office, New York, from the commence-
 ment of its operations to the close of the year 1859.

	1854 from act. 1.	1855	1856	1857	1858	1859	Totals
Gold		13.145.01	6.295.81	9.148.62	3.273.61	391.30	32.254.35
Silver	244.50	785.00	1.065.86	4.035.34	6.692.61	1.677.03	14.500.34
Totals	244.50	13.930.01	7.361.67	13.183.96	9.966.22	2.068.33	46.754.69

Average expense of transportation of Gold per Year \$6.450.87

do " " " Silver " " \$2.761.96

do " " Gold and Silver " \$8.905.65

Minr of the United States
Philada. March 10. 1860

Sir

Referring to your letter, of the 27th ultimo, and to my reply thereto, under date of the 6th inst., I have to make the following statement and correction. I find that the Bill referred to the Department by the Committee of Commerce provides for a separate establishment from that of the Assay Office: and, if carried into effect, would require the appointment of an entire new corps of officers, as well for the purpose of melting and Refining and Assaying, as for coinage. I was in error in stating

that it did not provide for an Assayer and a Melter and Refiner. On the contrary, the 2nd Section provides for the following named officers, at the salaries herein stated:—

Superintendent	\$2,500
Treasurer	2,000
Assayer	2,000
Melter	2,000
Refiner	<u>2,000</u>
Total	<u>\$10,500</u>

In my former letter, I stated that the increase of salaries of officers would be \$6,500: it should read \$10,500; and, including the two ~~assayers~~ ^{assayers} at \$1,400 each, the increase of salaries, as provided by the Bill, would be \$13,300, instead of \$9,300, as sta-

ted in my former communication.

The reasons which render the establishment of a Branch Mint at New York, in connection with the Assay Office inexpedient and unnecessary apply with increased force to the creating of two separate minting establishments, in the same city; in which the same functions would be performed by two sets of Officers. The absurdity of such an arrangement of Mint business served no doubt to lead me into the error which I have stated: as it was reasonable to suppose that it was intended to make one establishment out of the Assay office and the proposed Branch Mint. But, as I find, on a re-examination of the Bill, to day, that it is intended to provide for an Assay Office and a Branch Mint, I hasten to make this correction.

I have the honor to be

with great respect,

Your faithful servant,

Lives James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint

Sir,

Horace Cobb

Secretary of the

League

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860 / MARCH - REPORTS

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860/APRIL

Total,

- 9a. When trust funds are deposited in other banks are they placed therein as individual deposits in the name of the bank as trustee?
If not, did you instruct bank?
10. Does bank receive in the trust department deposits of current funds subject to check or the deposit of checks, drafts, etc., for collection or exchange purposes?
11. Are all investments of trust funds authorized or approved by the directors or a committee of same especially designated for that purpose?
12. Is opinion of competent counsel obtained and filed in all important matters pertaining to trusts, both individual and corporate?
13. Where trust instruments specify character of investments, are investments made in accordance with such provisions?
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20. Has the trust department, in any case, purchased from the banking department any of its assets as investments for trust funds, or has the trust department sold to the banking department any trust assets? If so, give full information and details.
21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?
22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?
23. List criticisms, if any.

Mint of the U. States.
Phil^a. April 30. 1860.

Dear Sir,

As I happen to have one
of the Cents of 1858. I have
sent you one in compliance with
the Treasury Dept. in your
note.

I do not know what the
cents on that of 1856 tells you
among the dealers and the
Cannock Bureau your question
on that point.

The money you enclosed is
herewith returned.

Yours resp. T. J. Felt
James R. Felt
Director of the Mint

Charles Bonbrough &
New York

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, April 30. 1860.

Copy!

Dear Sir,

I have caused a medal to be struck as a memorial of the inauguration of ~~the~~ Washington Medallion Collection at the Mint, as a testimonial of my appreciation of the assistance you have rendered me in making this Collection I herewith enclose ~~you~~ a copy of the medal for your acceptance.

I am, very respectfully,

Yours obt. servant,

James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint

George W. Bartlett,

Boston,

Mass.

Boston

"Washington Medals,"

Send my copy of
Cabinet medal

Apr 30. 1860

Office of the Independent,

No. 5 BEEKMAN STREET,

NEW YORK, ----- 1860.

Wth Snowden -

I am making for
trying to make a small collection
of coins - Will you please
send me a Nickel Cent
of 1858 - Indian Head - or
if out of them a Nickel
Cent of 1856 - as nice a
one as you can? If the
enclosed is sufficient for
1 of each I should like it.
If not sufficient for one
even - I will remit
the required balance -

Respy

Chas Bancroft

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Return the same
and run cent
1838 and 1840

April 30, 1860.

United States Mint
Phila

Yours I have
\$100. in old pennies
have been collecting
them in to get them
out of circulation
would like to take
in more what
shall I do with
them please inform

me
H.C. Butler
Putnam

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Apr 25/60

Monte

H. C. Cutler

Putnam

Conn.

Exchange

copper cents

for silver

April 28. 1860

Mint of the United States,
Phila^a. April 28, 1860.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of the
25th inst.

The old U. S. Copper cents are
received at the Mint at their nominal
value in exchange for cents of the new
issue. The freight on the new cent is
of \$50 and upwards, is paid by the Mint.
The exchange may be made through the
agency of an Express Co.

Very Respectfully,
G. B. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

W. C. Cutler Esq.,
Putnam,
Conn.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 28 1860

Sir

As per receipt and invoice enclosed, I have this day forwarded one box gold bullion, of the net value of \$61,757.38 for which I will thank you to remit double eagles.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq

Treas^r U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm. J. C. W. Co

Treasurers

Dear. away off

N. York

Apr. 26/60

Original.

No. 27

New York, April 26 1860

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia One boxes of Gold bullion,
of the net value of Sixty one thousand,
Seven hundred & fifty seven 38/100 Dollars.
\$61,757.38

J. W. Peacock
For the Adams Express Company.

Treasury office
Sixth Avenue Bank Bldg
New York Apr 25th 1860

J H Snowden Esq
Director of U S Mint
Philadel^a

Dear Sir:

This Q^r is much
burdened by the accumulation of "Pennies",
both of the old & new issues, which we find
it difficult, satisfactorily, to dispose of -
especially so of the old copper ones:

Will you do me the favor to state if these
last, are yet taken in exchange for
the new "Nickel" pennies, & if the expense
of transportation is borne both ways by the U.S.

I would feel obliged also if you
could suggest any way of relief, for
the constant accumulation of this coin.

Very Respy

J G Williams
Treasurer

From To
Treasury
6th Av. RR
N.Y.

Exchange
old cents &c

April 28, 1866

April 25. '60.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of
the 25th inst I have to state that
the U.S. Copper coins of former issues
are received at the Mint ^{as heretofore} in
exchange for the new cent
coins. The freight on the latter,
in sums of \$50 and upwards,
is paid by the submitter.

Very Respectfully,
J. R. Anderson,
Director of the Mint

J. L. Williams Esq
Treasurer Sixth Avenue R.R. Co.
New York

Treasury office
Sixth Avenue Post Road Co
New York Apr 25th 1860

J. B. Snowden Esq
Director of U. S. Mint
Philadel^a

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Very Resp^{tly}

J. H. Williams
Treasurer

From To
Treasury
6th Av. RR
N.Y.

Exchange
old cents &c

April 28, 1860

United States Assay Office,

New York, April 25, 1860.

Sir,

Your letter of the 24th
is received.

Our Melter & Refiner informs me that
his stock of fine silver is now so
small that any further reduction
would occasion great inconvenience in
his operations. I regret therefore that
we cannot spare the amount you require.

About 15,000 ounces of deposit
silver will be sent to the Mint
in a few days.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servt.,

Hon. J. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

J. F. Butterworth, Supr
by Geo. F. Dunning.

From

Saml J. Butternut
Supr U.S. Assay Office
N.Y.

Amount of silver
bulletin on hand
sufficient only for
these operations

Aprt 26. 1860.

Southwestern Bank of
Weytheville April 24th 1860.

Supt. U.S. Mint

Philada.

Dear Sir —

I have some old silver which I wish converted into new coin — but I would like to know first which ~~would~~ turn me out most, to exchange the old coin with you for the new, or to sell the old coin to Brokers who are sending out very flattering proposals, and buy the new coin of them at a discount.

If you have any tables throwing light on the subject I would be glad to receive one from you —

You can perhaps tell me what the following pieces would turn me out in new coin —

Viz Mexican Dollars

Span Mill "

Span quarters &c —

Very respectfully

W. S. Stuart Esq —

At n Circular sent.

Wm L

Wm - A Stewart

Highville

Pa

Exchange sale

Seven coins

April 28, 1860

Prof
Sec Treasury

April 24, 1860.

\$50,000 Silver Coin
requested by Treasury
Assay Office.
Renew my suggestion
as to purchase of
Silver Bullion

April 24, 1860.

April 24, 0.

✓ m,

The Treasurer of the Mint received to-day a letter from the Asst. Treasurer at New-York stating that he is much in want of Silver Coins - halves, quarters, dimes, and half dimes - to the extent of \$50,000. and asks whether we can supply him in case he procures a transfer draft in his favor, . . .

His request stands in ^{forward} communication to Gov. - & I particularly refer to my letter of the 19th inst - it will be in a measure to comply with Mr. Cisco's request. This demand shows the necessity of the Mint being supplied with silver bullion for coinage; and renders the suggestion forwarded in the letter referred to more immediately worthy of your consideration. I will write to-day to the Asst. of the Spens office and inquire whether they can spare to us silver bullion; and if so, how

Much — But if we can get a small
tally in that way, it should not in
my opinion interfere with the expediency
of procuring say \$200,000 in silver
for the purpose of enabling us to keep
a stock of coin on hand to meet
demands upon us.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,

Yours faith^{ful} servant,
Samuel R. Thompson,
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Merrill Cobb,

Secy of the Treasury
Washington City.

NAME	PAR VALUE	MARKET VALUE
Total,		

- 9a. When trust funds are deposited in other banks are they placed therein as individual deposits in the name of the bank as trustee?
If not, did you instruct bank?
10. Does bank receive in the trust department deposits of current funds subject to check or the deposit of checks, drafts, etc., for collection or exchange purposes?
11. Are all investments of trust funds authorized or approved by the directors or a committee of same especially designated for that purpose?
12. Is opinion of competent counsel obtained and filed in all important matters pertaining to trusts, both individual and corporate?
13. Where trust instruments specify character of investments, are investments made in accordance with such provisions?
14. Where trust instruments expressly leave investments to discretion of bank or its officers or directors, in what manner are investments authorized or approved, and in what manner is such authority or approval recorded?
15. Where trust instruments neither specify nor expressly leave the character of investments to the bank, its officers, directors, etc., are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?
16. Where trusts are under court order, are investments made strictly in accordance with the terms thereof?
17. Where court has by general order left investments to discretion of bank, or if in such cases general discretion is permitted by the laws of the State, are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?
18. Have any trust funds been loaned to any officer, director, or employee of the bank?
19. Are trust funds invested in securities or concerns in which officers, directors, or employees are interested? If so, list in detail.
20. Has the trust department, in any case, purchased from the banking department any of its assets as investments for trust funds, or has the trust department sold to the banking department any trust assets? If so, give full information and details.
21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?
22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?
23. List criticisms, if any.

Sept 16. S. Asay & Co
N.Y.

Amount of Silver Bullion
found on hand & in
relation to transferring
a portion of it to the
Mint.

April 24, 1860.

AB Linderman

AB Linderman

AB Linderman

AB Linderman

Unit of the United States,
Printed? April 24, 1868.

Sir,

In view of the Call upon us for silver
Coin I have to ask whether you can spare
a portion of your silver bullion; and if
so, how much? Of course whatever
silver bullion is required for refining purposes
must be retained, but any sum
above this, might I apprehend without
inconvenience, be transferred to the Mint.
If you can send, please the silver bullion,
I will ask the Dept. for a transfer
draft to the amount you may see men-
tion; and one to a similar amount
issued in favor of the Off. Treas. (Mr.
Crisco) to be paid in such coin as he
may indicate.

I am very respectfully
Yours obt. servant,

Sam H. Butterworth Esq, James R. Snowden.
Supt. of the office, Sec. of the Mint.
New York

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 24^d 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge The receipt of
\$115,034.72 in Gold Coins for balance
due on invoice N^o 26

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia

Wm. J. C. Geo
Treasurer

Treas. Atty Off

N. York

Apr. 24 / 60

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Wastage in the Chief Coiner's Department of the Mint of the United States.

[illegible]

^x Double Eagle Planchets belonging to Working 21st Feb found

Silver

Mch.	5 th	Three Cts. 1/2 Dollar + 1/2 time	15137 100	7 200	1 000	0 050	7 750	0 000	1 500
"	9 th	Silver Dollar + Half Dollar	62173 100	1 300	2 500	0 850	22 500	0 000	22 850
"	17 th	2 1/2 Dollars + Three Cents	25852 800	1 800	2 350	0 350	9 550	0 000	9 750
"	21 st	Silver Dollar	25749 600	2 050	2 600	0 150	6 400	0 000	6 800
"	23 rd	NO	14973 500	1 600	0 250	0 850	4 800	0 000	2 600
"	28 th	NO	7099 900	0 300	0 400	0 050	1 800	0 000	1 850
April	7 th	Half Dollar + Nine	17504 900	1 300	0 460	0 100	7 100	0 000	6 160
"	16 th	Half Dollar	16272 200	2 300	0 500	0 700	3 400	0 000	0 900
"	23 rd	NO	14703 300	3 250	3 050	0 400	2 900	0 000	3 100
				21 100					
			199,166 400						
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Comers

Wastage

March + April

1860.

Office of the Assistant Treasurer, U. S.

New-York, April 23rd 1860.

Sir

I am very much in want of
silver coins, - halves, - quarters, - dimes, and half dimes.
But before writing to the Secretary of the Treasury
for a Transfer draft on you, in my favor, I
should be glad to know whether you can supply
me to the extent of \$50,000, or less.

Very Respectfully
Your O^bt Servant.
Jth. J. Cisco
As^t Treasurer.

J H Walton Esq.
Treasurer U. S. Mint.

Assist. Treas. U.S.

N. York

Apr 23/60

Ms 4/5

10000 00

4000 4/5

2000 00

Manufacturing in Jordan - 82

Washington D. C.
March 26, 1860

Sir

I take the liberty of enclosing to you a note from my friend Geo. Andersson, which will explain itself, and its object.

The box referred to by him will be sent to the Agent by Express from Portland, Maine. It arrived there as my correspondent informs me in condition as follows,

"Secured fast, and sealed on the 4 sides where the top and bottom unite with the sides in the seals, of sealing wax, let into a circular cut or slot over the joints, and the stamp on the seals seemed to be in German, or the English

Letter, C. P. It is marked
\$4,400 — of \$110, and address
Hon. John W. Davis
Freebury
Main

I am advised from Bolivia
that the package contains "200
Pes. Castellanos" (Spanish)

Now my
wish is, that on the arrival of
the box the fastenings, seals &c.
be examined to see if they cor-
respond with the above description
and the receipt-compare with
the above statement; and then
I wish the value of the gold as-
certained, and the amount
indicated to which I am entitled
in exchange for it; in N. S. Gold
coin. A certificate of receipt value

and of deposit to that amount,
may be sent me by mail,
care of Richards Hotel, Washing-
ton.

My impression is, that my
request for the examination of
~~rough~~ seals &c. and the com-
parison of weights, is out of the or-
dinary range of duties at the Mint,
and I would therefore regard it
as a special personal favor that
the proper officer be ~~desired~~ re-
quested to do it.

With high respect-

Yours truly

I Thos W. Dana

Col. Snowdon

Director of the Mint

From the

How Shultsana

Richards Hotel

Washington City

1479
200

O21.29.5800

point of focus from
Berlin

7.4
200

Let here let me

8/14800

08185.57

185.00

Calls for 185 ozs over .57

Apr 4 1860¹⁰⁰

I have the right to
send the certificate of
deposit in the hands
of the Express Co.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 21. 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of fifty thousand dollars in gold coins
in ac of invoice N^o 26.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq

Treas^r U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm J.isco
Treasurer

Dear. Attag Off

N. York

Apr 21/60

Duplicate

Philadelphia, *April 28th* 1860

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.

NICKEL.

COPPERAS.

BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of **JOHN MCDOWELL, JR., & CO.,**

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

27 5 Boxes Nickel Alloy 946 1/2 lb

Containing 731.41 lbs Nickel @ \$1.50 1097 11

215.09 " Copper @ 25¢ 5484 \$1151 95

*Conc'd
John H Taylor
Asst M R*

Received, Payment

Duplicate

Philadelphia, April 21st 1860

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NICKEL.

COPPERAS.

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MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

5 Cases Nickel Alloy 1074 1/2 lbs
containing 859.60 lbs Nickel @ \$1.50
214.90 " Copper @ 25¢/lbs

1289 40

54 80

1344 20

36 14

\$1308 06

on

By 24.09⁵ Nickel

@ 150

Correct
John H Taylor }
Asst-MR }

No. 10E

Received Payment

J. M. McDowell Jr & Co

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
April 20. 1860

Col. James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir: Enclosed please find copy of the reply,
(received this morning) from the U. S. Consul at
St. Catharine's, Brazil, to the Circular from this
Office, of April 1st. 1859, on the currency
question -

I am respectfully
Your obt. Servant,
Wm. Hemphill Jones
Acting Comptroller.

For
Adj Comptroller Treasury

Enclosing reply from
Consul at St Catherine
Brazil, on the
Circular of Apr 11/59

Apr. 20. 1860

NAME	PAR VALUE	MARKET VALUE
Total,		

- 9a. When trust funds are deposited in other banks are they placed therein as individual deposits in the name of the bank as trustee?
If not, did you instruct bank?
10. Does bank receive in the trust department deposits of current funds subject to check or the deposit of checks, drafts, etc., for collection or exchange purposes?
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21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?
22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?
23. List criticisms, if any.

April 19.

O. J.

Sir,

There is a considerable and increasing demand for silver coins. Since the first of March last upwards of \$25,000 in gold has been offered at the Mint, to obtain silver coins of the different denominations, which are ~~were~~ obliged to decline because our supply of silver will not permit us to make the exchanges asked for. I deferred calling your attention to this subject until there was a decided call for silver coins. At one time, as is well known to the Department, there was a redundancy of silver coins in the Atlantic Cities. But this inconvenience was remedied by our reduction in the price of silver from 122½ to 121 cents per ounce. There is at present in many parts of our country a reasonable supply of silver coins; but in other places there is a scarcity; besides, there will always

has a demand by Banks, and Bankers,
 and other institutions, ~~and~~ and persons,
 in particular coins, even when the
 public may be pretty fully supplied. It
 is also, from time to time, necessary
 that the Government should supply
 the Treasury and ~~the~~ Treasuries, and
 other offices and officers with silver
 coin for change. To meet these
 various demands, and to provide
 materials for silver coinage, I
 suggest that we should purchase
 silver bullion to the amount in value
 of \$200,000. We could ascertain
 by addressing bullion dealers and
 others at what price ^{per ounce} we could purchase
 such bullion demanded at the Mint.
 and if the prices are satisfactory the
 offer could be accepted.

A few remarks may be useful by
 way of explanation to that suggestion.
 The Mint price of silver is 128 cents
 per ounce of standard fineness. This

is below the present Commercial value
 of silver: and it is desirable that
 it should be so. Otherwise more silver
 might be brought to the Mint for
 coinage than the wants of the Com-
 munity require. This remark shows
 the fact that the interests of Commerce
 are not always concurrent with
 that of the public at large. If a
 high price is paid for silver, it would
 stimulate the importation of it, because
 merchants might expect to receive the
 silver coin in payment of it although
 there might be a discount upon
 such silver coin. This is now the
 case with bullion dealers in London
 to the Spanish and Mexican parties
 of a dollar; they make so large
 a per cent of profit on these coins
 which are received at their nominal
 value, that they can afford to
 sell the cents which they receive
 therefor at a discount. The pieces
 however are not secured from foreign

Countries, because these smooth and even
 portion of a dollar have been for many
 years discarded before they came into use; and
 are, and have been ^{in some spots} confined in their circula-
 tion, to our Country; and hence their
 withdrawal will be of beneficial service
 to our Currency.

If we hope to advance
 the mint price of silver, we should probably
 receive less than silver bullion; and
 besides, the silver would go ^{and consequently} to the
 owners of the bullion; the mint would
 not be enabled to keep a supply of
 silver coins to meet the demand which
 I have mentioned at the Commencement
 of this Communication. As
 the Law does not permit deposits of
 silver to be made for coins of less
 than half dollars and the lower denomina-
 tions, it seems proper we should keep
 on hand a sufficient amount of these
 coins to supply the demand for them.

Under the system which I now propose
 there would be no danger of putting
 out too many silver coins, because
 we could exchange them for gold!

and if Silver Coin could be purchased elsewhere at a discount, of course no one would bring their gold to the Mint to procure them at par. Hence we could properly contrast the supply of Silver Coin. On the contrary if we were to advance the price generally the amount issued would be more than the wants of the public would require. For these reasons I think it better we should purchase say \$200,000 worth of Silver Bullion at the lowest price we can obtain the same, and pay for it in Gold Coin. This can be done ^{without} ~~without~~ loss to the Government, and perhaps with a small profit. If however the price at which the silver is offered is higher than we can afford the purchase may be declined. The Silver Coin of the U.S. are issued at the rate of 125 cents per ounce: if we can purchase at a sufficient sum below this valuation to cover expenses then the Government would not lose by the

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transaction; and the gold laid out for the
silver would be replaced by the exchange,
which would be made, except such portion
of the silver as would be used by the
Government in making payments, and
in that case ~~the same~~ it would
be as available as gold. This
being that until the exchange would be
made a portion of the amount - being
in silver coins - would be unavailable
for ^{the} general purposes of the Treasury; but
the advantages I apprehend would more
than counterbalance this inconvenience
inasmuch as we should then be
supplied with silver coins of the
various denominations to meet the
calls of the public and the require-
ments of the Department.

If this suggestion meets with your
approval I will ascertain at
what price we can obtain silver-
bullion; and communicate the same
to the Department, and ask
your further instructions on the
subject.

To Sec Treasury

In relation to Purchase
of silver Bullion

April 19, 1860.

Mint of the United States:
Philadelphia, April 19th, 1860.

Sir,

I have to request that you will cause a draft to be issued in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for the sum of Forty Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty Five dollars, payable out of the following Appropriations for the support of this institution for the present fiscal year, viz:

For Salaries of Officers & Clerks:	\$6,975.~
. Wages of Workmen & Adjusters:	18,700.~
. Accidental & Contingent Expenses:	18,750.~
. Freight on Bullion:	2,500.~
	<u>\$46,925.~</u>

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Your faithful servant,

Samuel R. Mowman
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Sewell Pelt.

Secretary of the Treasury:
Washington City.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, April 17. 1860.

Ms. Pratt

Springfield Class
18th April 1860

Gents

Herein I send you
1.00 for which will you
please send me by mail
a Silver dollar, date 1860.

Very much obliged

Yours Respectfully

St. R. Shedd
Care Tilly Haynes & Co

Springfield
Mass

R. R. Shedd

Springfield

Mass

18 apr / 60

Metemora woodford county illinois April 10th 1860
gentlemen of reg mint at philadelphia you
will please test this ore & send me the result
of your test as some men think it platina
please send me the answer immediately
& oblige yours
J. D. Gardner

April 16. O.

Sir.

The sample enclosed in your letter
of the 10th inst I find to be ^a sulphate of iron.
It is a very common mineral composed
of no value.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. McQuinn,
Director of the Mint.

Mr J. S. Gardner,
Metamora,
Ill.

Wm L

J. D. Gardner

Memor

Dec,

Sample Spect

was included

April 16, 1860.

19 Tremont St.
Boston, April 14, 1860

J. R. Snowden Esq.
Director U.S. Mint
Dear Sir

I hasten to acknowledge
the receipt of the master Gold & Silver coins for 1860.
and beg you will accept my sincere thanks for them.

I asked in my last if I could procure through
^{your} you a copy of last Report concerning the Mint. allow
me, Sir, to renew my request as I should consider it
a great favor to receive one with Col. Snowden's
autograph on the fly leaf.

Believe me Sir, with considerations of
respect,

Truly Yours

J. K. Wiggin

Wm
J. R. Higgen Esq
Boston
Mass,

Requesting copy of
my annual Report
with Autographs
on the Leaf

April 16, 1860.

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
April 14th 1860

James H. Matton Esq
Treas US Mint
Philadelphia
Sir

Your account of
Ordinary Expenses 1st Quarter 1860 has been
received

Very Respectfully
J. L. Smith
Auditor

1st Auditor
Washington
Apr. 14/60

Office of Platt & Brother,
Refiners, Assayers, and Dealers in Bullion and Specie,
No. 4 Liberty Place,

New-York, April 14 1860

Mr James R Snowden

Director of the Mint

Dear Sir

Yours of the
12th Inst is recd, and in answer
we would say that our agent
(Mr Howard) will call to get
the sweeps on Tuesday the 17th Inst

Yours Truly
Platt & Bros
per Cramer

To
Messrs Platt & Broth-
er
NY

Agent will
call on 17th
next for samples

April 16, 1860.

Boston April 13.th 1860.
Colo^d. James Ross Snowden.
U.S. Mint.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir,

My age is more than
80 years, and you will excuse
me for requesting information
as to the possibility of procur-
ing U.S. cent of the dates, 1793.
'94. '99-1804, '09. '11. and upon
what conditions they can be
had? I should be glad
to know, also, if there are any
Washington Coin to be had.

A line from you
will oblige your aged friend,
Respectfully Your Obedt. Servt.
David Williams.

1. Ashburton Place.

From To

David William

Boston Mass

cents of rare
dates. —

Washington cents
to

April 17, 1860

has 120 different notes,
Medallions, and tokens of
the State & Nation. I
will be ~~happy~~ to show the
collection to you if you
come to the City. I think
it will place in the
hands of our old friends
like yourself to see
together in one collection
the interesting material
of their old times, and is
more, and more than any
part in the past in
history, and part in the
hands of his Countrymen!

I am, with great respect,
your friend, & servant

David B. Williams
No. 3 South 1st St. N.Y.C.

at least more my experience
pieces.

It is a mistake to suppose
that my aforementioned pieces
have been recently
found with the head
of Washington on them.
One of the Washington
pieces have been found
one of which I am
positive is a counterfeit
of a certain one of the
pieces of my collection.
The collection of the
medals & coins of
Washington is the only
one in my collection
on the 22nd of January
last I discovered that

April 13. 60

Dear Sir,

In answer to your inquiry
I have to state that I have
no supply of cents of the same
date. Formerly some of them
came to the Mint for exchange
under the new law & but
cents of the new series & but
for some time past all such
have been ^{being} ~~received~~ ^{out} ~~the~~ ^{of}
old cents and deposited for
the Mint.

The "Washington Cents" which
were issued ^{from the Mint} ~~at the Mint~~
on any other place, except the
Washington "cents" of 1791 & 1792
are called "cents" but these

**BONDS, SECURITIES, ETC., UNLAWFULLY ACQUIRED AND INVESTMENTS EXCEEDING THE LIMITS PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 5:
AS AMENDED**

Description	Par value	Book value	Name directors who, as shown by the ba approved the purchase of these bonds, a quired.
<i>(Faint handwritten text, possibly "Bonds of the State of New York")</i>			

APRIL-2-1868

Describe

PRIME OF NEW YORK

HAS WASHINGTON MEDAL

BY WRIGHT

For value

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ONDS, SECURITIES, ETC., UNLAWFULLY ACQUIRED AND INVESTMENTS

From To

W. le Brune

Exchange["] Markingtons

Cabinet medal

Enclosed

May 11, 1860.

Print of the United States,
Philadelphia,

186

27 Williams St
New York Apr 24 1860

Dear Sir

Some weeks ago I sent
on a package to you by my friend
Mr Haines, which he informs me
he left with you, as you were
not well at the time.

If you do not wish the
medals & medallions, oblige me
by sending them, by express,
at my expense. Done as
above - Should you desire

to keep any of them I refer
you to my last letter as
indicating what pieces I am
in want of & I again take
the liberty of suggesting that

as I am anxious to obtain
mint pieces, I should like
to purchase them, rather than
than metal ones, or any other
worthless piece, & in that
case I should be glad to
present to you the Washington
or other medals & medallions.

If the general collection
at the mint is in progress
I have many medals & meda-
lions of various kinds (American)
that I would supply them
with no charge for mint
pieces.

I am very Truly
Yours

W. C. Prime
— " —

Hon J. R. Snowden

to

to

to

27 William St
New York April 2 1860

Dear Sir

I received yours with
its inclosures for which I thank
you much - and I shall be still
more obliged to you if you will
as you kindly promise, remem-
ber me when you strike the
medals commemorating the
inauguration of the Cabinet.

I thank you also for your
kind invitation to visit the
mint & shall be happy to ac-
company myself if it should I
visit Philadelphia. But as
a general rule I make
Philadelphia only a calling
place on business trips to
& from Washington.

Learning from Mr Haines
that he is going on to Phil-
adelphia I have made up a
package of the medallts I
hope of & have asked him
to take charge of them to you.

I send also The Washington
Medal of Wright in bronze &
in white with reverses as cut
by Wright. You are correct
in speaking of it as a close
copy of the medal in the nu-
ismatic series. But the
reverse is different - You may
still revise it. If not, Mr
Haines will bring them back
to me, & the same with
the medallts - Mr Haines

tells me you have one set
of these - possibly you
do not want another.

Should you retain any
of these and send anything
by way of exchange I must
leave that to you, begging
you to refer to my last letter
for the expression of my
wants. The Half Dollars of 1859
I am supplied with - I believe -
possibly my set is not full -
But I want Ring Dollars -
Dollars of 1836, 1838, 1839.

Half Dollars of 1838 both varieties,
Dollars of 1851 1852 I wish especially.

If the time should ever come
when you can allow me
to purchase any of these pieces

I pay for them their metal value,
I will be happy to present you
any missing ten or other pieces
that I may have and purchase
what I want. But if that
can't be done, then I must
submit the no changes to your
judgment, promising that I am
content to take two of a kind
when you have them to spare.

I am
With great respect
Yrs
W. C. Prime

Hon Jas Ross Snowden

dc. dc.

May 11.

3.

Dear Sir,

I send you herewith a
Washington Cabinet Medal. Which I have
cannot to be struck to Commemorate
the 22^d of Feb. last.

The obverse presents a fine head
of Washington, and the reverse exhibits a
good representation of the Washington
Cabinet. The work was executed
by Mr. Paquet, the engraver U.S.Mint,
and I think you will agree with
me in the opinion that it is a beautiful
medal. I suppose I am still in
your debt for former services, and will
endeavour to give you other honourariums
by way of payment.

Yours truly,
James R. Buchanan
A. C. Prime & Co.

Chzabeth April 15th 1860

Hon. James R. Snowden,

My dear sir,

I called to see you on Friday last, but as you were occupied with your duties, I failed to see you. I thought I would save you the trouble of sending the pattern half dollars in copper for 1859, by calling for them. I hope you have entirely recovered your health and if convenient, please forward the pattern pieces. I want to obtain those with the head upon the obverse and the ^{Paguet} eagle upon the reverse. Cannot I obtain by

purchase the dollars
of 1838. 1839. 1851. 1852., I
would give \$5. each and
more if necessary. I would
like to get a half dollar
struck in Aluminium, of
which a few were struck.
I would also like a little
token in Gold, Jackson
& Washington. If the above
can be had, I would pay
a ~~liberal~~ price. I am not
in the way of getting these
pieces, and if you can as-
sist me, You will greatly
oblige

Yours truly
Bryce James

From To

Benj Starnes

Elisabeth

N.J.

Two Specimen

Haydon

in copper enclosed

April 14, 1860.

Specimen in the midst
of the interesting description
of the history of the
settlement of the
very Respectfully
of P. Lindemann
Director of the

Bay of Herring Bay
Clarke

N. J.

April 14. 62.

Dear Sir,

By direction of the
Director of the United States
you are requested to pay
on account of the debt of the
United States of the 1st of March
the amount of \$100,000.

It is requested that you
will pay the amount of \$100,000
on the 1st of March next
and to the order of the
United States of the 1st of March
one.

We have none of the
warrants from you mentioned
on hand. This is owing to the
fact that copies of past
years are not, as is often
supposed, preserved at the
United States the exception
of the few preserved on

Elizabeth Ap. 19th 1860

Hon. J. P. Snowden,

My dear Sir,

Your favour with the accompanying half dollar specimens in copper and cent of 1859 were received this morning, for which please accept my thanks. I am happy to hear that your health is restored. I am

Yours truly

Wm. L. Garrison.

From Bay Haines
Elizabeth
N. J.

ack receipt
pattern bay window

April 28, 1860

April 18 60

Dear Sir,

In response to your
letter of the 16th inst I send
you the "50 cents" and "Half
dollar" specimens in Copper.
and a cent of 1859. New
series.

I have nearly repaired my
worn health and am now
able to attend to business.

Very truly & respectfully
Yours,
J. B. Henderson,
Director.

Benjamin Davis Esq.

Elizabeth.

New Jersey

Elizabeth N.Y. April 16th 1860

Hon. J. R. Snowden,

Dear Sir,

I received from
your clerk this morning
two of the pattern half dollars
of 1859 in copper. viz the Paget
pattern, and the one with
 $\frac{1}{2}$ dollar on the reverse. When
I left you, it was with the
promise that I was to have
a set of the 4 copper half dds
for the four medals, and
some additional honorarium
for the two Temperance medals.
Your clerk does not seem to
be aware of it, or he would
have sent the others. I am
sorry to trouble you again

and hope that you are
quite restored to health. I am
~~Yrs~~

Yours truly

Wm. L. Garrison.

P.S. I have to add that
the specimens sent were
imperfect

W.L.G.

Engravers' Department

Mint of the United States Philad^a April 2^d

1860

Dear Sir

For the month ending March 31.st 1860. I have the satisfaction to report the punctual attendance of the workmen employed in my department, and the correct discharge of their several duties.

Very Respectfully Yours &c.

J. R. Snowden Esq.^r
Director

James B. Longacre
Engraver

Report of
the
Engraver
March 1860.



Hall of M^r. J. S. J.

Bali: April 2. 1860

Hon^{ble} J. Ross Snowden

Dr. Sir

Please find in-
-closed a draft for \$67.50
for the meats ordered some
days since -

You will much oblige
by having them sent at
your earliest convenience

Very resptly

Your ob^l serv^{ts}

John S. Selby

Actuary

From Dr

John A. Selby }
Act. Ma. Dist. }
Batt. Ind

Draft \$67.50
enclosed for
Medals - Medals
J. M. A. M.

April 5, 1860,

Mint of the United States.
Phila^a. April 5. 1860.

The Maryland Institute.

To Medal Fund U. S. Mint 28.

For 25 fine silver medals a pc.	\$17.50
50 Bronze " " 2.00	50.00
	<u>\$67.50</u>

Received Payment.
James Ross Snowden.
Director of the Mint.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 2nd inst. enclosing
draft for \$67.50 was duly received.

Above please find receipted bill for medals
sent to your address to-day per Adams Express
Co.

Please sign and return to me the enclosed
voucher.

Very Respectfully,
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

John A. Selby Esq.,
Acct. Md. Inst. Baltimore
Md.

Burnersville, Barbour County, Virginia.

April the 1st 1860.

To the manager of the United States Mint at Philadelphia

Sir, inclosed you will find
three parcels of something which I think is mineral.

Please examine each parcel and
report its value to me immediately.

The minerals which
you will find inclosed, were found in different
places when you write to me tell me what
Nos. 1, 2, 3 each contain if anything. If it is valuable
you will hear of me again for I can find plenty

Yours Respectfully

Daniel O'Brien

From No

Wm. C. O. P. P. P.
Bumessuth
Barbour's
P. W.

Specimen No
Sueptin to word

April 16, 1860

April 16. 0.

Sir,

The three samples enclosed in your letter of the 1st inst are all of the same character, although slightly different in form; they are sulphurates of iron, a very common mineral and possessed of no value.

Very Respectfully,

James R. Chalmers,

Director of the Mint.

Mr Daniel O'Brien,
Burnsville,
Barbour Co.

Pa.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 3rd 1860

Sir

I herewith enclose receipt and invoice of One box fine gold bars, Transmitted this day by The Adams Express Co of the net value of \$40,066.51 for which please remit double eagles

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq

Treas^r U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm. J. Esco
Treasurer

Trans. Assay Off

N. York

Apr. 3/60

Original.

No. 24

New York, April 3 1860

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia One box of Gold bullion,
of the net value of Forty Thousand, and Sixty
Six ⁵¹/₁₀₀ Dollars.

\$40,066.51

J. P. Baker

For the Adams Express Company.

Buffalo April 2^d 1860

James Ross Snodden Esq
Director U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Dr Sir

I have received
the six sets of Master Silver and Cent of
1860. as per yours of Mch 29th. Please accept
my thanks and also the thanks of my
friends for whom I made application

~

With much respect
I am Your Obedt Serv

C. P. Nichols
Cashier

B & E. R. R.

Wm C. P. Nichol
Buffalo
N.Y.

ack receipt of
6 sets my com's

April 4. 1860. —

Erie Pa Apr 3 1860

Wm

I observe that Mr Hickman
has turned his attention to
our great currency measure
I have seen the title of his
bill quoted -

Was he not been unfortunate
in the selection of a title?

"An act to create a uniform
paper currency" or something
to that effect

I respectfully suggest
something like this

"An act to provide for
the safe keeping of private
funds in the treasuries of
the United States."

Paper currency carries
with it in the very name

prejudices against it
as a government measure
National bank is the
very first bug bear that
rises on the proposal of
such a title

Whereas the title I sug-
gest being almost in the
words of the Sub treasury
bill carries with it
the sense of security which
that salutary measure
'has made almost proverbial
since it has become the
law

All which is respectfully
submitted

very truly yours
James Morrall

Wm W. F. Fawcett
This

From

James Howell

Er. 1/2
P. 1/2

Also letter of
Mr. Dickinson
Currency Bill

May 11, 1860.

No. 24.

Eight Bars of Fine Gold
transmitted to the U.S. Mint for Coinage, in pursuance
of the Act of March 1855, by John J. Cisco Treasurer
of the U.S. Assay Office, New York.

1860

April 3rd. One Box # 1. containing

Nos. 1102, 1104, 1126, 1128, 1131, 1133 @ 1135.

weighing 1966.64 gr @ 990 $\frac{1}{2}$ F.

Stand. gr. 2164.397 = \$40,267.85

Deduct for Coinage, 201.34

Net Value, \$40,066.51

24

Recd. June 4/60
Gola Net Vol \$40.066.57

Total,

9a. When trust funds are deposited in other banks are they placed therein as individual deposits in the name of the bank as trustee?
If not, did you instruct bank?

10. Does bank receive in the trust department deposits of current funds subject to check or the deposit of checks, drafts, etc., for collection or exchange purposes?

11. Are all investments of trust funds authorized or approved by the directors or a committee of same especially designated for that purpose?

12. Is opinion of competent counsel obtained and filed in all important matters pertaining to trusts, both individual and corporate?

13. Where trust instruments specify character of investments, are investments made in accordance with such provisions?

14. Where trust instruments expressly leave investments to discretion of bank or its officers or directors, in what manner are investments authorized or approved, and in what manner is such authority or approval recorded?

15. Where trust instruments neither specify nor expressly leave the character of investments to the bank, its officers, directors, etc., are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?

16. Where trusts are under court order, are investments made strictly in accordance with the terms thereof?

17. Where court has by general order left investments to discretion of bank, or if in such cases general discretion is permitted by the laws of the State, are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?

18. Have any trust funds been loaned to any officer, director, or employee of the bank?

19. Are trust funds invested in securities or concerns in which officers, directors, or employees are interested? If so, list in detail.

20. Has the trust department, in any case, purchased from the banking department any of its assets as investments for trust funds, or has the trust department sold to the banking department any trust assets? If so, give full information and details.

21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?

22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?

23. List criticisms, if any.

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to present
exchanging silver for gold in consequence
of our stock of ^{silver} Corn & Bullion being quite low
We cannot therefore send you the silver coins
requested in your letter of the 3^d inst. The
~~Draft for \$1000.00~~ in your letter is
herewith returned.

Very Respectfully,

James R. Chambers.
Director of the Bank

J. G. Rust Esq.
Albany,
Ga.

Albany Ga. April 3^d 1860

James Ross Snowden Es.
Philadelphia
Dear Sir

I enclose you
check on American Exch^t Bank, New York for
One thousand four hundred Dollars for which
please send me Silver coin - \$300 in dimes & 200
in dimes of the balance in halves & quarters, less Expenses
Never send by Harndens Express

Yours. Resp. J. G. Rust

Direct

J G Rust
Albany
Ga.

Harndens Express

From To
G. G. Rust
Albany
Ga

Draft \$1040.75
enclosed Silver
Coin desired in
Exchange,
Draft returned

April 11, 1860

Treasury of the United States
April 4: 1860

Sir

For enclosed Transfer Draft No 6337. please
send \$10.000 in half dollars \$10.000 in Quarter
dollars \$3.000 in dimes & two thousand dollars
in half dimes

Very respectfully
Yours Obedt Servt
Wm Randolph
Acting Treasurer U.S.

James H Watton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint

10 $\frac{1}{4}$ \$
5 $\frac{1}{2}$ \$
2 $\frac{1}{2}$ Dimes

but be sent shortly

Dear A. S.

Washington

Apr. 4/60

United States Assay Office
New York April 5, 1860.

Sir,

I transmit enclosed a triplicate receipt of the Assistant Treasurer at New York for Eight thousand eighty six Geo dollars, transferred by the Treasurer of this Office, - being the Deductions from Deposits for the 4th quarter of 1859.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servt.,

J. F. Butterworth, Supt.
by Geo. F. Demming.

Wm. L. R. Snowden, }
Director of the Mint. }

From To

S. F. Butterworth

Supt U. S. Assay Off
N.Y.

Enclosing Certificate
Payment into N. S. Henry
Inst # 21889

Entered

April 7, 1860.

June 7

Mr. Amos Shellenbarger
Ohio

specimen "Pyrites"
enclosed

April 5, 1860,

Ohio
Covington, April 2nd 1860

Please my friend
I send you an ~~sample~~ of mineral
which I have found here and I
suppose there is a quantity of it
And this I would like to have analyzed
to see what is in it and let me know
immediately

Yours Truly
Amos Shellenbarger
& Snyder

a mixture of
sulphur & iron,
of no value —

L. E. Shellenbarger

Miner of the United States
Phila. April 5, 1861

Sir,

The specimen enclosed in your letter
of the 2nd inst. is a mixture of sulphur and
iron. It is very common and of no value

Very Respectfully,
James A. Cochrane
Director of the Mines

Mr Amos Shellenbarger,
Covington,
Ohio.

Top
See
Reason

Explain delay in replying
to letter of the 31st ult.

Apr 5, 1860. -

April 5. 1850.

Sir, I have been confined to my house
for several days past by a severe
indisposition. I am to-day a little better
and am able to be at the Mint; and
am collecting the statistics of coinage and
expenses at the several Mints, in order
to respond to Mr.
Millson's inquiries.

I make this explanation in order
to account for the delay in replying
to your communication of the
3rd ult: enclosing a copy of
Mr. Millson's letter.

In a day or two, I hope to be
able to reply to it.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,

Respectfully,
Hon. Russell Cobb,

Secy of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Your faithful servant,
James P. Buchanan,
Director of the Mint.

Total,

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United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 5th 1860

Sir I herewith enclose receipt of
the Adams Express Company, and in-
voice of four boxes Silver Bullion of the
net value of \$4,242.96, containing
gold \$1,209.82 net

I will thank you to remit for the
former, Silver Dollars, and for the latter
double eagles

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq

Treas^r U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm J. C. Bisco

Treasurer

Dear. array Off

N. York

Apr. 5 / 60

Original.

No. 25

New York, April 5 1860

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia Four boxes of Silver bullion,
of the net value of Ten thousand, four hundred
Eighty two ⁷⁸/₁₀₀ Dollars.

\$10,482.78

Wm. Roe
For the Adams Express Company.

Mint of the United States,
MELTING & REFINING DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, 5 April 1860

Dear Sir

I have no change to report in the number of workmen in my Department, during the last month, nor in their relative positions.

They are ordinarily divided into two gangs, one of which finishes work by two o'clock, when the other comes on & remains until from 6 to 8 P.M.

The latter gang consists of the gold & silver melters, together with some of the Cent melting force.

On day when bullion is to be melted, only the first gang is employed in Cent melting, the second in melting gold & silver.

The amount of gold & silver to be melted being small, & the demand for the new cent being much less than the present operative force executes, I respectfully suggest the propriety of commencing a diminution of that force. I know certainly that the same amount of business can be transacted with a diminished force as at present.

Hon. J. R. Snowden }
Director }
U. S. Mint }

Respectfully yours
J. C. Booth
M. & R.

Melter & Refiner's Report
for March 1860

NAME	PAR VALUE	MARKET VALUE
Total,		

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23. List criticisms, if any.

Apr 13. 0.

Sir,

Enclosed please find gold medal
from small one of your institute, for which
payment (\$5.00) was enclosed in your
letter of the 6th inst ordering the same.

Very Respectfully
S. R. Bowden

Director of the Mint.

John L. Selby Esq
Actuary Md. Institute
Balt.
Md.

Hall of M^{rs}. Ins.

Balt. Apr. 6. 1860

Hon^{ble} J. Ross Snowden

Wth Sir

Herewith I send
the certificate as requested,
and in addition send
eight dollars and fifty \$8.50
for which you will please
have a Gold Medal from
the Small die - Made and
sent by Mail

Very resply

Yours

John S. Selby
Actuary

Enclosed Rec^d. for my hands
H. R. L.

From To
John Selby
Act. Md Inst
Balt. Md.

\$8.50 enclosed
Money got it
smaller sent
by mail

April 13, 1860,

Duplicate

Philadelphia,

April 7th 1860.

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.

NICKEL.

COPPERAS.

BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of **JOHN M^CDOWELL, JR., & CO.,**

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

4th 8 Cases Cent Alloy 2043

5th 8 " Ditto 2084

6th 6 " Ditto 1477
5604^{lbs}

Containing 672.48^{lbs} Nickel @ \$1.50 100872

4931.52^{lbs} Copper @ 25^{cts} 125754

226626

Percent for making alloy as per agreement 22662 249288

Correct
Booth
RG

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, April 7 1860

To the Director of the Mint:

The following is my report of Assays of cent ingots, for the months of February & March.

Feb.			Percent. of Nickel	Feb.			Percent. of Nickel
2	33	melts, mint	12.1	18	23	boxes, Kens ⁿ	12.2
3	26	" "	12.1	20	25	melts, mint	12.3
4	24	" "	12.1	21	14	" "	11.9
"	33	boxes, Kens ⁿ	12.4	22	22	" "	12.2
6	27	melts, mint	12.0	24	27	" "	12.2
7	18	" "	11.9	25	23	" "	12.3
8	28	" "	12.0	"	31	boxes, Kens ⁿ	12.2
9	24	" "	12.3	27	22	melts, mint	12.3
10	25	" "	12.1	28	11	" "	11.8
11	27	" "	11.9	29	21	" "	12.2
"	29	boxes, Kens ⁿ	12.4	March			
13	25	melts, mint	12.0	1	22	" "	12.3
16	69	" "	12.2	2	25	" "	12.2
17	20	" "	12.2	3	23	" "	12.2
18	26	" "	12.1	"	29	boxes, Kens ⁿ	12.1

March			Percent. of nickel	March			Percent. of nickel
5	24	melts, mint	12.1	17	28	melts, mint	12.1
7	34	" "	12.2	"	31	boxes, Kensch	11.8
8	29	" "	12.2	19	29	melts, mint	12.1
9	29	" "	12.0	20	22	" "	12.3
10	29	" "	12.2	21	29	" "	12.3
"	29	boxes, Kensch	12.0	22	21	" "	12.4
12	28	melts, mint	12.2	23	29	" "	12.4
13	12	" "	12.2	24	28	" "	12.2
14	26	" "	12.1	"	28	boxes, Kensch	12.0
15	29	" "	12.0	30	29	melts, mint	12.4
16	27	" "	12.2				

The mint melts are from No. 443 to 1503.

J. R. Eckfeldt
Assayer

Assay Office, April 7. 1860

Hon. J. R. Snowden

Director &c &c

Sir

Agreeably to regulations
in the case, I have to report a proper
attention to duty, on the part of persons
employed in this department of the Mint,
during the months of February & March.

Very respectfully

J. R. Eckfeldt Assayer.

Assayer's Report
February & March
1860

Sir

April 6, 0.

For some time past the Mint has ex-
perienced considerable embarrassment in
consequence of the reductions in the Bullion
Fund. I frequently felt inclined to call your
attention to the subject and to ask and advise
but hesitated to avoid doing so if possible
to-day however I learn that the Dept.
has drawn on this fund to the amt. of
\$25,000, thus reducing it to little more
than \$160,000. and here it may be
noted that we require ^{about} \$40,000 in
specie as a margin for refining,
so that practically we have but
\$120,000 as a fund to pay depositors
& keep up a supply of the different
denominations of Coins on hand.
Of this is entirely insufficient I hope
it will put the convenience of the
Dept. to increase this fund, by issuing &
transferring in favor of the Reserve.

the Mint on the 4th. Inst. at
New York, or in this City, for
say \$150,000. This sum will be
sufficient to meet the obligations in order

I would respectfully suggest that
transfer warrants relating to this
Public Fund should be sent under
cover, to the Director of the
Mint, as was formerly the custom
practised.

I have the honor to be
with great respect,
Yours faithfully
James R. Brewster,
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Howell Cobb.

Sec. of the Treasury
Washington D.C.

To Sec Treasury

Treasurer of the
Bureau of the Dept of the Mint
Massachusetts. — Request
that draft for
\$20000 be drawn on
Treasury.

April 7, 1860. —

Total,

9a. When trust funds are deposited in other banks are they placed therein as individual deposits in the name of the bank as trustee? If not, did you instruct bank?

10. Does bank receive in the trust department deposits of current funds subject to check or the deposit of checks, drafts, etc., for collection or exchange purposes?

11. Are all investments of trust funds authorized or approved by the directors or a committee of same especially designated for that purpose?

12. Is opinion of competent counsel obtained and filed in all important matters pertaining to trusts, both individual and corporate?

13. Where trust instruments specify character of investments, are investments made in accordance with such provisions?

14. Where trust instruments expressly leave investments to discretion of bank or its officers or directors, in what manner are investments authorized or approved, and in what manner is such authority or approval recorded?

15. Where trust instruments neither specify nor expressly leave the character of investments to the bank, its officers, directors, etc., are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?

16. Where trusts are under court order, are investments made strictly in accordance with the terms thereof?

17. Where court has by general order left investments to discretion of bank, or if in such cases general discretion is permitted by the laws of the State, are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?

18. Have any trust funds been loaned to any officer, director, or employee of the bank?

19. Are trust funds invested in securities or concerns in which officers, directors, or employees are interested? If so, list in detail.

20. Has the trust department, in any case, purchased from the banking department any of its assets as investments for trust funds, or has the trust department sold to the banking department any trust assets? If so, give full information and details.

21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?

22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?

23. List criticisms, if any.

being a ^{just} fair and reasonable one, would be advantageous to the public as it would tend to increase the coinage of the United States; but any other additional charges might have a contrary effect, and by lessening the amount of deposits increase the ^{also} proportionate expenses of the Mints, and, injuriously diminish the coinage of the Country.

4. "Such other information as may be necessary to determine in what mode the operations of the Mint, for the benefit of such depositors, may be carried on without expense to the Government."

I do not think it expedient, or even practicable, as the Minting establishments are now constituted, to make each of them self sustaining. A mint, or an assay office, is like any other manufacturing. If the business ~~performed~~ ~~is large~~ ~~a~~ ~~light~~ ~~tariff~~ ~~of~~ ~~charges~~

From J to
Sec. of the Treasury

April 7, 1860.

Re: Reply to inquiries
of Mr. Milleson as to
profits, expenses, &
charges at the Mills.

Prof
Lee Peasney

Explanatory as to
furnishing Board
Kade Phi: with
copies, correspondence
W. B. Smith
Durham

Apr 9, 1860.

Mar 9. 18 01

Sir,

I deeply regret to learn by your letter of the 7th inst that I have erred and given offence by placing in the hands of the Board of Trade of this City, in answer to their request, the Correspondence with the Department respecting the proposed branch mint at New York. I must certainly have declined to give copies of this Correspondence if I had not supposed it had been sent in by you to the appropriate Committee in Congress. I came to this conclusion from seeing in the newspapers - first published, I believe, in the New York Herald - an article relating my report to you and contrasting it with one received by you, on the same subject, from Mr. Butcher of the Army Office. In that article my estimates were stated to be erroneous and exaggerated. These publications

led me to the conclusion - which I find to
be erroneous - that you had furnished
the reports to the Committee. I
regret my deep regret that I was
mistaken in this conclusion; and
henceforth I shall pay no attention
to newspaper articles but conclude,
as was doubtless the fact in this case,
that some letter writer has man-
aged to obtain a review of papers
with which he had no business.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,

Yours faithful servant,
James Rex Bowdler,
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Howell Cobb,

Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City.

Treasury Department
April 7th 1860

Sir:

I have to day been placed in possession of a pamphlet purporting to have been published by the Board of Trade at Philadelphia, containing my letter to you of the 27th Feb last asking for your views of the expediency of establishing a Branch Mint at New York, with your letter of the 6th & 10th all in reply.

You can judge of my surprise at receiving this publication when I state that application was made to me by a Member of the House of Representatives from Pennsylvania for a copy of this correspondence, which was refused him on the ground that it would be improper to communicate information specially called for by Congress or any of its Committees, to any other person before it was sent to the body requesting it.

Regarding the communication made by you on the 27th all to the Board of Trade without the knowledge or consent of this Department, to be unprecedented in the history of any of the Executive Departments, I must request your immediate explanation.

Very respectfully
Yours &c &c

S. Rep Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Wm M Cobb
Secretary of the Treasury

Washington Apr 7. 1860.

James R. Snowden Esq.

Dear Sir

I fear you have greatly injured the Mint case by the publication of your correspondence with the Dept on the subject. Geo Cochran is making use of it as an improper interference & the Secretary of the Treasury denounced it as an outrage, in a conversation with me this morning - I regret it much, and must say I think it was improper, as the Committee of Commerce had the case pending before them and were awaiting the reply of the Department, to the call for information - now before the information reaches us

it is published to the world
that that large jury may act
upon it, before we see it -

I have been doing all
I can, and will continue to
do so, to prevent the bill from
being reported, unless the information
hereafter obtained shall change
my opinion -

Respectfully yours
Wm. W. Woodhead

Ms The reason I did not
answer your inquiry as to
the publication of your report
by the Committee, was that I
expected every day we were
to receive it officially - we have
not received it yet & I don't
know when we will, so great
is the press upon the Department -

From To

Genl. I. K. Monrood

House Reps

Washington City

As to purchasing
copies of correspon-
dence to Board
Trade on N.Y.
Bt Minn
Dushin

April 9, 1860.

April 9,

O.

Dear Sir,

In response to your letter of the 7th inst I have to state that I complied with the request of the Board of Trade under a misapprehension of the facts. I supposed that, the Correspondence relating to the branch trust had been sent in to your Committee by the Sec. of the Treasury. This conclusion I arrived at from the fact of seeing no further mention in many newspapers regarding my report and stating it to be an erroneous and exaggerated one. The article also spoke of Mr. Buttner's estimate being reasonable, & that he had placed the reserve at \$100,000 - &c. From the publication I inferred that the estimate had been sent in. I greatly regret the error which has been made: I certainly could have declined the request of the Board of Trade if I had known the facts. Besides,

the Board of Trade, I believe, hoped the
resolution on account of seeing their
publications, and supposed it was sufficient
that the pounds of my estimates should
be published.

I greatly regret that you did not
answer my letter, if you had done so
I should have known the fact that
reports had not been sent in. But
you excuse for not answering my
letter are quite satisfactory.

I am very truly
your friend &c. &c.
James R. Mendenhall,
Director of the Mint.

Genl. J. K. Moorhead,
House of Reps.,
Washington City.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 7th 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$50,549.29 in Gold Coins and Silver
dollars in payment of invoices N^o 24 + 25

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. Deane
Treasurer

Great Assay off
New York

Apr 7/60

Treasury U. S. April 7th 1860

Sir

For the enclosed Lfr N^o 179. 3829 P.
please forward to this office two hundred
dollars in cents of the new coinage

\$200-

Very respectfully
Yours Obediently

W. G. Poole
Treasurer U. S.
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James H. Walling Esq.
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philad^a

Pres. U. S

Washington

Apr. 7/60

April 9.

Sir,

In compliance with the act of
March 4th. 1853 c 97. I present a quarterly
statement of the expenditures of the Mint
for the 1st quarter 1860.

Statement of the expenditures of the Mint for the quarter
ending March 31. 1860.

Salaries of Officers & Clerks	\$ 6,975.00
Wages of Workmen & Adjutants	24,381.87
Incidental & Contingent Expenses	<u>9,086.31</u>
Total	<u>\$40,442.68</u>

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Your faithful servant,

James A. B. Snowden,

Director of the Mint.

Wm Howell-Cott,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

Minist of the United States,

Philadelphia, April 9. 1860.

Messrs. N. Crocker & Co.

Gentlemen,

Please deliver to
2 Madison St. & Co.

Log
Sec. Keasney

Expenditures Min
1st. 2. 1860.

Apr 9, 1860.

Treasury Department
April 9. 1860

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 6th inst., recommending an increase of the Bullion Fund in the Mint, I have to remark that the Department does not deem it expedient, at this time, to reduce the balance in the hands of the Assistant Treasurer at New York, by a transfer to that fund.

When the condition of the Treasury will admit of such transfer, your request will receive due attention from the Department. I am very respectfully

Wm. Will Cobb
Secretary of the Treasury

J. Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Com^d of
Sec Treasury

Resolution to increase
of bullion fund at

the Mint. - With
be increased as
low as State of
Treasury will
admit.

April 10. 1860.

Smithsonian Institution
April 9th 1860

Dear Sir

I return the gold dollar which I sent to the United States mint to be deposited in the collection of coins of your establishment. I have written to the donor informing him of the disposition I have made of his gift.

I regret to have given you so much trouble for so small a matter but persons in public position in this country are so much accustomed to be called upon for services of all kinds that I trust you will not consider my letters very unusually obtrusive.

With much respect

I remain truly yours

Joseph Henry

Secy. S. I.

J. R. Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

I am
Prof L A Huxley
Sec Smithsonian Inst
Washington

Presenting
some dozen
batteries of
about in Utah

Apr 13: 1860

April 9. O.

Sir,

By direction of the Director of the Mint
I send you today per Adams Express Co.
a set of the master gold coins of the present
Year. Be pleased to acknowledge to the
Director the receipt of the same.

Very Respectfully,
H. P. Linderman
Director of the Mint.

J. K. Higginson Esq.,
19 Tremont St.,
Boston,
Mass.

Apr 9. 1860.

Sir,

By direction of the Director of the
Mint I send to you address to-day per
Trisley & Co. Express a set of the ^{mint} gold, silver &
copper coins of 1860 the receipt of which please
acknowledge to the Director.

Very Respectfully,

H. R. Linderman.

Director

Genl. Colburn Esq,
U. S. Appraisers Office,
Boston,
Mass.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia,

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J
Jen^h Colburn }
+ Boston }
L. R. Wiggan } Mass,

Set good, Silver Hair

Master Com^r 1860

enclosed to Mr Colburn +
set good to Mr. Wiggan
April 9, 1860.

W. Smiley & Son

Haverhill Mass

Apr 9/60

Warren Hill Mass - Apr 9 / 60
To Cashier U. S. Mint.

Dr. Sir. Two weeks ago
this morning we sent to you by
Adams Express for two hundred
dollars in cents, expecting the reg-
ular discount. We rec^d the cents
but no discount. Please inform by
return mail, whether the discount
was paid to Adams & Co or not
and much oblige

Yours truly
W. Smiley & Son -



more warmly interested in it, - Mr. W. Balmain
Esq. H. Stuart, Mr. Whitney, Mr. Thomson, Mr.
J. B. Lippincott, and Mr. Catymer.

There will be a ship built on from the
Lakes, here ready to guarantee the building, and
one or two leading engineers from New York

Very respectfully
L. Blodget

As per enclosure by

"Hempstead Co."

April 9 1860

To J. H. Co. London

L. Blodget

Office of the Board of Trade,

Philadelphia, April 9th 1860

Dear Sir,

During the last two days of last week I consulted nearly all the gentlemen proposing to come on the direction of the new Steamship Company, indicating Thursday next, at 12 o'clock noon, as the preferred time for the preliminary meeting. I found that time agreeable to several, and shall to day ascertain in regard to all. Having the opportunity to send by your messenger I will beg you to inform us if that hour will be convenient for yourself, reserving, however, the positive appointment of it until I ascertain from Mr. Thomson, Pres. of the Pa. railroad if he can attend on that day, as his great interest in the matter naturally renders us anxious that he should be present.

The gentlemen whom I saw last week

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a. April 12, 1864.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 9th inst.

Transactions with that you refer
to are never made at the Mint. The
new cents are paid out in exchange
only for Spanish & Mexican fractions
of the dollar and U. S. Copper
cents of former issues, which
are received at their nominal
values.

Very Respectfully,
J. A. Mendenhall
Director of the Mint

Mr. H. A. Raymond,
Haverhill,
Mass.

Wm To

Mr J Raymond

Harvard

Mass

As to allowance of
discount on Exchanges
at the Mint &c

Apr 12. 1860.

Maunhill & Apr. 9 1860
Gentlemen:—

Either the 19. or 26th
of March ult. I am not positive which date,
we gave the express \$200. in gold, to exchange
with you for new cents, with the expectation
of 5% discount. The money was forwarded in
Wm Smiley & Son's name. We received the
\$200. worth in papers, but have not yet got
the 5%. I wish to know whether you gave the
5% to the express or not. Please answer
immediately, as I was one of the parties who
sent, and oblige

Yours &c
H. C. Raymond
Maunhill Mass.

Wm L
Mr J Raymond
Haverhill
Mass

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at the Mint &c

Apr 12. 1860.

Waverhill Apr. 9 1860
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Yours &c
H. C. Raymond
Waverhill Mass.

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a. Apr 12, 1868.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 9th inst.

Transactions like that you refer
to are never made at the Mint. The
new cents are paid out in exchange
only for Spanish & Mexican fractions
of the dollar and U. S. Copper
cents of former issues, which
are received at their nominal
values.

Very Respectfully,
J. B. Monnet

Director of the Mint

Mr. H. A. Raymond,
Haverhill,
Mass.

NAME	PAR VALUE	MARKET VALUE
Total,		

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23. List criticisms, if any.

Treasury Department
April 10 1860

Sir

The newspaper article enclosed in your letter of the 9th inst enables me to understand what may before be inexplicable in regard to your correspondence with the Board of Trade, and makes your explanation satisfactory.

I approve of the determination expressed by you, to pay no attention hereafter to newspaper articles of an insupportable character in regard to your official duties.

Very respectfully
Yours &c &c

Wm Lobb

Secretary of the Treasury

J. Rep Marden

Director of the Mint

Philadelphia

From ~~the~~
Sec Treasury

Explanation of
to my correspondence
with the Board of
Trade satisfactory

April 11, 1860.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 10, 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of \$380,000. in gold coins, and \$15,000. in silver, (including draft in favor of C and H for \$6,048.73) for ac of invoices No. 68. by. respectively.

Drafts issued yesterday in favor of Colgate & Hoffman for \$10,800. in silver ac.

I beg to call your attention to my letter of March 28th in which I requested you forward on any unpaid gold invoice \$100,000. in eagles.

Very Respectfully
Wm. J. C. Dea

J H Walton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia Treasurer

Treas. assay Off
New York

April 10/61

Rec'd April 11

1st auditor

Washington

Apr 10 / 60

ⁱⁿ
Treasury Department
ⁱⁿ
First Auditor's Office
April 10th 1860

James H. Walton Esq
Treas US Mint
Philadelphia
Sir

Upon examination of
your Bullion account of the 4th Quarter
1859 I find that "Silver Warrants issued
prior to Fourth Quarter 1859 but paid thereon"
are missing.

I will thank you to forward
them immediately.

Very Respectfully
J. H. Smith
Auditor

Treasury of the United States
April 10. 1860.

Sir

In compliance with the letter of the Secretary of the Treasury, of 6th instant, a copy of which I transmit herewith. I will forward to you, by Adams Express Compy. the unavailable Coins therein referred to, amounting to \$3,997⁵⁰/₁₀₀, to which \$2⁵⁰/₁₀₀ will be added to make up the even sum of Four thousand dollars, which amount, please send in half dollar Coins, in settlement thereof.

Very respectfully,
Your Obedt Servt
W. C. Pomeroy
Treas. U.S.

J. Ross Snowden Esq.
Director U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Copy

Treasury Department
April 16: 1860

Sir

It appears by the report of Messrs. Killyer, Bigger & Gouge, appointed to examine and count the money in your office, dated to day, that there remain in your custody, certain unavailable coins amounting to \$3,997 ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ from which, you should be relieved.

You will therefore be pleased to send them to the Mint for recoinage, and give the proper instruction to the Director of the Mint, that the amount may be replaced in your hands by current coin.

Whatever loss or gain may arise in the recoinage of these unavailable coins, will of course be shewn in the profit and loss account of the Mint.

Very respectfully
Yours Obedt Servt
Howell Cobb
Secretary of the Treasury

W. C. Price Esq,
Treasurer of the United States.

Treas. U.S

Washington

Apr. 10/60

You say it will not cost
more than \$1 or less

372

271.75

3992.75

$$\begin{array}{r} 83 \\ \hline 28 \end{array}$$

Original

Adams Express Company Office

Washington April 1860

Received of the Treasurer of the United States Four
thousand dollars, ~~in~~ gold and silver coins, to be
delivered by our Company, at the U. S. Mint, in Phila-
delphia, to Ross Snowden Esq; Director of the Mint.
for which I have signed duplicate receipts

Geo S Burns

Agent

Cracked	✓ 91.00
California	✓ 100.00
old good 1806	✓ 5.00
Light, eagle	✓ 10.
countable	✓ 5.50
Bored ones	✓ 8.00

217.50

3¢ pieces

3.980

3.997.50

put in to make up
an even sum +

x 2.50

4.000.

1¢ broken good
.50 " silver
25 cracked "
75 good

2.50 + ✓

2279.

3720.

1389
 2331
 60

2460
 1440

3780

2337

1449

3780
 40

7 80

United States Appraisers Office,

Boston, Mass.

April 11th 1860.

Dear Sir:

In compliance with your request I have to acknowledge the receipt of the set of the gold, silver & ^{cent} master coins of the present year. Should it ever be in your power to aid me in completing my set of half cents - (1842 & 152 wanting) I should esteem it a great favor conferred on

Yours, Truly
Josh Dobbin.

J. Ross Snowden, Esq.
Director U. S. Mint.

John
Leach Colburn Esq
Boston
Mass

Recd. Set Markers
Silver & Lead zinc

Apr 13, 1860.

New York, April 11th 1860

S. Rob Snowden

Director of the U.S. Mint.

My dear Sir,

I take pleasure in introducing to you my friend Chas. G. Loring Esq. of Boston, an eminent lawyer of that city, who, with his family are on an excursion to Washington & will spend two or three days in Philadelphia. They wish to visit the mint, & I know you will give them every facility for seeing the operations of the establishment.

Yours very sincerely
John Torrey

From
Jno Torrey Esq
To J. Noos Snooden
April 11 1860

"Introducing C. G. Loring"

To,

Balt & Wiffenbach & Co
of 121 Nassau St. N.Y.
John A. Adams

Declining Pds
for Sheep.

April 12, 1864

Apr 12 60

Dear Sir,

The offer made by you
on the 9th inst for 28 M. Minor
snaps is declined, a higher
bid for the same having
been received & accepted.

Very Respectfully

J. R. Fowler

Director of the Mine

John D. Adams Esq.

Lessee of the S. I. Smelt Works.

New York.

April 12, 60

Dear Sirs

The offer made by you
on the 5th inst for 25000, Mint
snaps is declined. a higher
bid for the same having been
received and accepted.

Very Respectfully,

J. B. Anderson.

Director of the Mint.

Messrs Baelwell & Duffenbach

Newark.

N. J.

April 12. 60.

Dear Sir,

The offer made by you
on the 5th inst. for 28 Blk, Mint
sweep is declined, a higher
bid for the same having been
received and accepted.

Very Respectfully,

J. B. Woodward,
Director of the Mint.

Dr J. W. Farnam,

No. 27 Corpus Hotel,
New York.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

April 12 1860

Sir

As per receipt and invoice enclosed I have this day transmitted by The Adams Express Co, two bars fine gold bars, of the net value of \$115,034.72 for which please remit double eagles.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

John J. Cisco
Treasurer

Pres. Mr. S

Washington

Apr 12/60

Original.

No. 26

New York, April 12 1860

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia Two boxes of Gold bullion,
of the net value of One hundred & fifteen Thousand
and Thirty four $\frac{72}{100}$ Dollars.
\$115,034.72

John Hoey
For the Adams Express Company.

No. 26.

Twenty three Bars of Fine Gold
transmitted to the U.S. Mint for Coinage, in pur-
suance of the Act of March 1855, by Mr. J. Cisco,
Treasurer of the U.S. Assay Office, New York.

1860.
April 12.

Two Boxes # 1 and 2, containing

	oz. dec.		Stand.
			ounces dec.
Nos 875 and 880. weigh g. 208.93	@ 991	=	230.055
" 849.852 @ 858.			
919 @ 929.9359365	5431.89	@ 991½	5984.132
	<u>5640.82</u>		<u>6214.187</u>
Value.			\$115.612.78
Deduct for Coinage			<u>578.06</u>
Net Value.			\$115,034.72

N. 26

Received Cash 13/60

Sold

Net Balance \$115.034.72

NAME

PAR VALUE

MARKET VALUE

Total,

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Office of John H. Rochester & Brother
Bankers, Rochester, N.Y. Apr. 11 - 1860

Cas. Ross Snowden Esq.
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir

Your favor of

is received with enclosure as stated

Respectfully yours

John H. Rochester & Bros.

We enclose for

I enclose it in Ocean Bk. New York for \$3.
for which please send me a set of the proof coins of 1860.
You call their intrinsic value \$2.⁰² I only make it \$1.²⁴ there
is the discrepancy? Is your rule inflexible as regards furnish-
ing to collectors none but the coins above ordered? I am striving
to make a full collection of the entire mint coinage from dollars
to half cents. I have all the cents but one (1799), all the half ^{dimes}
but seven - all the dimes but ten or a dozen - all the quar-
ters but seven - all the half dollars but ten or a dozen, but
I have only about half of the half cents, and only four of
the dollars, viz 1795, 1798, 1799 & 1841. It has occurred
to me that you must have numbers of the dollars &c. of
different dates (not masterpieces perhaps) of which you must
make some disposition in some way, having no particular use

for them in the mint, and that you would perhaps relax
your rule a little sometimes in favor of so laudable and
extended an ambition in this line as mine. I would be
glad to have you inform me if you can furnish me any date
of dollars ^{and also what dates} and of what valuation, also if you can give
me any of the various pattern pieces or any of the regu-
lar coins of the ^{various} denominations ^{other than dollars} in case I should send
you a list of those I require.

In addition to the regular mint coins, I
have various valuable and rare colonial coins, including
the Washington cent of 1791, Rosa Americana, Louisiana,
Kentucky, Nova Constellatio, Talbot, Allan & Co, New Jersey
Connecticut, Vermont &c. &c. cents - also I have a fine spec-
imen of the largest size of the brass Washington token of 1783
"Success to the United States" which if you have not already
I shall be happy to exchange with you in some way for
your Washington collection.

I have also a fine coin picked up in Strularicum
by a friend of mine, and a very excellent specimen of an "Antoninus
Pius" Roman coin, about A.D. 150. You will excuse my
troubling you with these ~~insignificant~~ immaterial and irrelevant
particulars but fancying you must have got a little touch
of the numismatic fever in the collecting of your "Washington
collection", I have thought to rally your sympathies by show-
ing you what a good nucleus I have for a fine collection, in
the mention of some of the rare pieces amongst my assortment.

I remain,

Very respectfully

Yr. ob. servt.
Geo. H. Rochester

Apr 13. O.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst enclosing draft for Three dollars.

As requested, I send you a set of the master silver and cent coins of the present year.

The apparent discrepancy in ^{the value of} a set of silver coin, to which you call my attention, is owing to the difference between the weight of the silver dollar and two half dollars, the former weighing 412.5 grains, and the latter 384 grains. The silver coins of the United States are issued at the rate of 125 cents per ounce, and the dollar is therefore worth ^{about} 108 cents, ^{about eight} or ^{nine} ~~seven~~ cents more than two half dollars. The reduction in the weight of the silver coins of less denomination than the dollar, was made under the act of Congress, of 21st Feb. 1853. By this act the weight of the half dollar

was fixed at 192 grains, but the weight of the silver dollar was not reduced, remaining at 412.5 grains, as before.

I should be glad to receive a more particular description of the Washington Token of 1783. The device may be different from the copies in my possession ^{on it may be of a different} + if so, it would be very acceptable for the "Washington Collection."

I would be very glad to aid you in adding to your collection if I could do so, but we do not retain at the Mint coins of past years, (except those preserved as specimens in the Mint cabinet,) and I find it necessary to adhere to the regulations contained in my Circular of the 20th December 1839, respecting the giving out of patterns or trial pieces.

Very Respectfully,
James R. Snowden
Director of the Mint.

John H Rochester Esq,
Rochester,
N.Y.

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia,

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Yours &c
John H Rochester
Rochester
N.Y.

Draft \$3. enclosed. -
Silver half made coin's
enclosed in return.
Also charge of 108
cents for silver
dollar &
Washington token

April 13, 1860.

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860/APRIL

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860/MAY

Office of Assistant Treasurer, U. S.

St. Louis, Mo., May 31 1860.

J H Walton Esq

Treas Mint. U.S.

Philadelphia

Penn.

Sir

I herewith send you two receipts for the coppers sent this Office by Express. The third receipt of the set, I send to the Treasurer U.S. direct. This has occurred to me to be the best way to take the amount up, on my books.

I remain

Very respectfully

& Truly Yours

Saml B Sturgeon

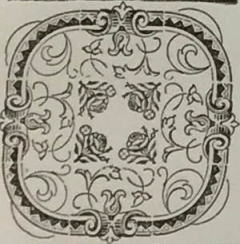
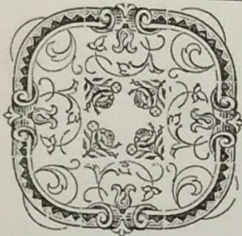
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St Louis Mo

May 31/60



No 2668

Office of the Assistant Treasurer U. S.

ORIGINAL

At St. Louis, Mo., May 31 1860

I Certify, That *J. H. Walton* *Treas. Mint U.S.*

Philadelphia Penn.

has this day deposited to the credit of the **TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,**

Per Adams Express Co, Three hundred dollars in copper cents

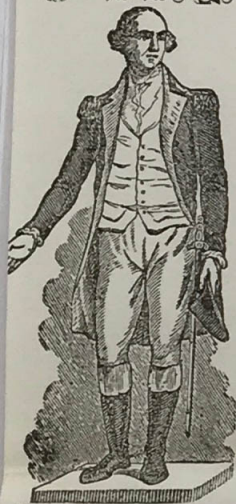
in Gold \$....., *in Silver \$*.....,

on account of

for which I have signed Triplicate Receipts.

\$300 100

James H. Morgan *As't Treas.*



No 21668

Office of the Assistant Treasurer U. S.

TRIPPLICATE:

At St. Louis, Mo., May 31 1860

I Certify, That J. H. Walton Cashier Print N.S.

Philadelphia Penn.

has this day deposited to the credit of the **TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,**
Per Adams Express Co. Three hundred dollars in Copper cents.

in Gold \$ _____, in Silver \$ _____,

on account of _____

for which I have signed Triplicate Receipts.

\$300. $\frac{70}{100}$

Wm B. Sturgeon Asst's Treas.

Washington City D.C.,

May 31st / 1860.

Col. Snowden,

My Dear Colonel,

I made a visit of two days to Phila^a not long ago, but found on calling at the Mint, that you had gone to "the Conference."

I was shown there a very chaste medal just struck off in honour of the visit of the Japanese to this country. As I have taken pains to make a collection of such representations of events, I am especially desirous to obtain one of them in bronze.

If consistent with your duty, will you favour me with a copy. I shall be here, and my address

will be the "Kirkwood House," or
you can send it to my brother
in-law, ^{the Hon} Samuel J. Randall
of Philadelphia, requesting
him to keep it for me.

Make my respects to
Gen. Patterson & family and
believe me

Very Respectfully Yours
Wm B. Burnes

From To

Gen. Ward B. Burnett
Washington City.

besides a copy
of Japanese
Medal

Jan 2, 1860

Li

The Army Department
May 30th 1860

The Envoys from the Empire of Japan have furnished this Department with nine oval gold coins called ~~tokangs~~ tokangs, and twelve quadrangular gold coins called gold itzels - and also one old silver itzel, and one new silver itzel - the former being of the old coinage before commercial intercourse was opened, the latter coined since, out of Mexican Dollars without change in fineness. They desire that the intrinsic value of each kind may be ascertained and reported to me in the American standards. These coins have been receipted for with a stipulation that the value shall be returned to them in American gold coin or bullion at their option. When they shall visit the Mint which it is expected they will shortly do, you will be directed to furnish them with a suite of American coins both in gold & silver, when this matter of returning the value of their ^{enclosed} coins, may be arranged by you.

Great practical difficulties have arisen in Japan from the disparity between the relative value of gold & silver coins under their law, and those of other commercial nations. I am informed that the Japanese government has resorted to various arbitrary and temporary expedients to obviate these difficulties, without much success. The Envoys are desirous to obtain exact information of the value of their gold coinage in American money, in order that some permanent and satisfactory arrangement may be

be understood here, subject to the concurrence of the
proper authorities in Japan, which shall hereafter
and those embassies. If therefore it is in
your power to furnish me with your report of the
value of the gold cobans and the gold it is for mint
a day or two, so that a statement on the subject may
be submitted to the Envoy before they proceed ha-
wards, I shall be obliged.

They have expressed a strong desire that some
of their mints may be present at the mint and see
you made of ascertaining the value of foreign
coins. Perhaps it will be well to let them witness
the process upon some of the enclosed lot. Before
he leaves this city, Capt. Dupont proposes to
advise you of the day when the Envoy will
probably visit the mint, so that you can
have every thing in readiness for their
satisfaction in that respect.

Very respectfully

Yours obedt Servt

Wm. H. Lee

J. K. Gordon Esq

Director of the Mint

Secretary of the

Philadelphia

be understood here, subject to the concurrence of the proper authorities in Japan, which shall hereafter end those embarrassments. If therefore it is in your power to furnish me with your report of the value of the gold cobang and the gold itze ba within a day or two, so that a statement on the subject may be submitted to the Envoy before they proceed northwards, I shall be obliged.

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Very respectfully
Yours obedt Serv

Wm M. Leach

J. Rep. Gordon Esq

Director of the Mint

Secretary of the Treasury

Philadelphia

From No. 1
Sec Treasury
Washington City

Encloses certain coins
of Japan for assay
report. - Visit of
Japanese Envoys &c
Sincerely on fineness
of coins of
Japan

June 2, 1860,

Embroid of the United States.
Philadelphia May 30, 1860.

Dear Sir,

I am glad to learn by your letter of the sentiment that there is a disposition to move in the matter of striking copies of the National medals. They ought by all means to be deposited in the library of each state having a state library; and they ought also to be accessible to societies and individuals who desire to examine them, and to pay a reasonable price for them.

I have examined the bill you enclosed to me, providing for the striking of bronze copies of U. S. Medals, and desire to call your attention to some of its features which appear to render it somewhat defective.

1. It limits us to the striking of copies of medals, of which we have the original dies in our possession, and which have been ordered by government. Now, some of the military dies, especially of revolutionary times, have been lost, and yet we have a process by which perfect steel dies may be reproduced from a medal, or - from mere electrotypes of medals. Again, medallic artists

who have made dies of public men, an occasion
desirous of availing themselves of our superior
facilities for striking medals from their dies; and
perhaps we could do it more cheaply for them,
than they could do it themselves.

2. The sale of copies of medals at cost price
to societies and individuals, would obviously leave
no profit to pay for ~~the expenses~~ ^{those} the deposited in the
State Library. This should read "upon such
terms as the Director of the Mint, with the approval
of the Secretary of the Treasury, may prescribe".

This whole subject was maturely considered
in 1852, at which time I to the Secretary of the
of a medal department at the Mint, a copy
of which I enclose herewith, and which I
think is thoroughly adapted to the case, and
complete in its provisions; but if the Committee
think proper, they can of course modify it. If
any objection be raised, it must be on the
score of private competition; but we do not
propose to interfere in the least with private
medallists; rather we expect to promote their
interests by the project referred to. Should the
bill become a law no appropriation will be
necessary to carry it into effect.

The bill enclosed by You is herewith
returned

I have the honor to be,
very respectfully,
Yours at foot,
James R. Linderman
for H. R. Linderman

Hon Thomas B. Florence,
Member of Congress,
Washington City.

Mr. Sumner is absent from the City. We
shall be glad to hear from you at a week or so. We
of this little by the Committee.
H. R. L.

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Hy Kington S.
Washington May 28th 1860

My dear Sir,

The Hon Charles
Francis Adams has
called my attention
to the bill (now
under consideration in
Committee) which I en-
close. He is impres-
sed that a sugges-
tion of a similar kind
has been made specifically
by you. If this is so,
will you please send
me draft of bill, ~~and~~
with such suggestions as
you may be pleased
to communicate. Be-
low enough to return
the bill I have forwan-
ded.

My friend
Thomas K. Florence

From V. L.
Hon. T. B. Florence
Washington City

Encloses bill for
shilling copies
of National
Medals &c

Severally in
reply on the subject
enclose project of
a law.

May 30. 1860

W.H.O.

Treasury Department
Comptrollers Office
May 28th 1860.

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James H. Walton Esq.,
Treasurer U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I enclose herewith
copy of a bill, in the Cent Coinage accounts of the
4th gr 1859, of Bullock & Crenshaw (No 211) for
"Glass ware imported"; and have to request that
you will furnish a statement in detail of
the charges upon the articles for "freight, duty
& Insurance".

I would also call your attention
to the fact, that in this as well as other
instances, duplicate instead of Original bills
have been forwarded with your accounts.

Very Respectfully

Yr obt servt

W. M. A. W.
Comptroller

Comptroller US
Washington

May 28/60

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

May 26 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
\$ 14,532.61 in Silver dollars and Gold Coins, in
payment of invoice N^o 29.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm J Geo
Treasurer

Dear. array Off

N. York

May 26/60

Rochester May 25th 1860

U. S. Mint

I hear from good
authority that you have on hand
some 1816 cents and some 1854 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents
if so please send by mail to me
the following 3 1816 cents & 4 1854 $\frac{1}{2}$
cents & find enclosed the money
for them

& Oblige

Fredk. D. Alling

Care of Allings & Co.

From
Fred S. Allings
Rochester
N.Y.

Receiving certain
old papers from
Circular sent
in reply

May 28. 1860.

Duplicate
Mint of the United States

Philadelphia, May 25th 1860

OXIDE OF COBALT.
NICKEL.
COPPERAS.
BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of **JOHN M^CDOWELL, JR., & CO.,**

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

18 5 Cases Nickel Alloy 1139⁵

containing 879.88 lbs Nickel @ \$1.50

259.12 " Copper 25¹/₂

*Correct
Jas C Booth
M. & R.*

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\$ 1385 89

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Index to letters

- May 25, 1960, shows
that this letter refers to
dies for "wreck" medals

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9/15/60

Department of State,
Washington 25 (May, 1860.

James Ross Snowden, Esq
Director of the Mint - Philadelphia -

Sir,

There will be forwarded to you per Adams
H^o Express, a box containing a set of dies, and
you are requested to have struck therefrom, five
(5) gold medals, and ten (10) silver medals.

When finished please forward them to this Depart-
ment, by Express.

Your bill for the same receipted will be paid
on receipt of the medals.

You are also requested to keep the dies in your
possession.

I am, Sir,
Your O^b. Servant

Wm. Maxwell
Assistant Secretary.

P.S. You are requested to add to the above order
ten (10) copper medals.

From To

Hon John Appleton
Asst Sec State

Washington City

Medals dies
forwarded. - Medals
requested to be shown
therefrom.

May 29. 1868.

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a. May 29. 1860.

Sir,
The medal referred to in your letter of the
25th inst was received today per Adams Express
Co.

The medals which you request to be struck
from the above dies, will be prepared as soon
as practicable, after the order from your department
for additional medals for presentation to the Japanese ^{Embassy}
is completed.

As requested by you I will cause the
dies to be retained and carefully preserved at
the Mint.

I have the honor to be,
Very Respectfully,
Your obt. Servant,
James Ross Snowden
Director

per H. B. Linderman

Hon John Appleton,
Asst. Secretary of State,
Washington City,

Washington
May 25th 60

Mr Snowden
General Mail &
Dear Sir.

It is wished
that Congress may strike a
medal in honor of Commodore
Dew. for presentation to the la-
phuse. It is known that
the Act of the medal struck
by the Board of Trade of Boston
in his honor is with you
in the mail. Perhaps this
may answer. So enable as
to make whatever call
you will oblige me by sending

an impression of the face
of the medal and its obverse.
Please to state what

would be the cost of such
medals in the various
metals of which they are
commonly composed. An
immediate answer is much
needed and will be
much obliged to you.

Very Respectfully
Yours
John Deane
Me

From To

Hon John Cochrane

M C

Washington City

in pursuance of law

M. C. Perry Medal

be requested

sent—

cost of medals

in gold, silver

and copper

May 25. 1866.

Ministry of the United States
Philadelphia: May 26. 1860

Dear Sir,

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 20th inst. I have caused to be prepared and enclosed herein an impression of the obverse and reverse of the die of the medal presented to Com. M. G. Perry, by the Board of Trade of the City of Boston.

The cost of medals struck from this die (not including labor) would be as follows:

In fine gold	per doz
" " Silver	5.99
" " Copper (thick)	25

The obverse die (that of Com. Perry) will no doubt be suitable for the medal proposed to be struck by Congress, in honor of Com. Perry, & to be presented to the Japanese, but the inscription on the reverse die will

not possibly answer the purpose. Should
this prove to be the case, a wreath or with
the same wreath, or something similar to
it and a suitable inscription, can be
prepared by the artists of the Mint in
the course of ten days.

Very Respectfully,
Yours at command,
James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint
for H. B. Lindenman

Hon John Cochran,
Member of Congress,
Washington City.

P.S. The Director of the Mint is temporarily
absent from the City but is expected to return
soon being next week.

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Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
May 24. 1860.

Asa Ross Snowden, Esq.
Director of the Mint.
Philadelphia. Pa.

Sir:

Herewith please find copy of the reply
from the U.S. Vice Consul at Bay of Islands,
New Zealand, to the Currency Circular of April
1st. 1859.

I am, respectfully,
Yours obed. Servant.

W. M. W.
Comptroller

From
Hon H Medill
Comptroller Treasury

Response to circular
foreign coins &

May 25, 1860.

Treasury Department
May 24 1860

Sir

The enclosed bill became a law on the 22nd inst and has been presented here for the payment of the amount appropriated. You will notice the provision that before any payment is made, Mr Kent shall secure to the US the use of the apparatus to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Treasury.

The presentation of the certified copy of the Act for the payment of this sum, was the first information I had that any such apparatus, a proposition to purchase its use, existed. A copy of the report of the Committee on Patents of the 26 March 1858 was produced embracing several letters from officers of the Mint & assay offices in favor of the apparatus, among them a letter from you purporting to be dated 2 Aug 1858.

Before I can be reasonably satisfied in regard to securing the use of this apparatus to the US, I desire to learn something about it - and I will thank to report such facts and views as will throw light on the matter at your convenience.

James Bep Snowden
Director of the Mint please

Very respectfully
Yours dried Sir
Norman Colby
Secretary of the Treasury

From L
Sec Treasury

In relation to Prof Hents
Sweep apparatus

May 28. 1860.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

MARCH 9, 1858.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. FESSENDEN made the following

REPORT.

[To accompany Bill S. 188.]

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the petition of Edward N. Kent, with the accompanying papers, report :

That the petitioner is the inventor of an “ apparatus for separating gold and other precious metals,” which has been secured to him by letters patent, dated December 4, 1855, and February 26, 1856, respectively.

Mr. Butterworth, superintendent of the assay office at New York, in a letter to the chairman of your committee, dated January 20, 1857, says:

“ In the operations of melting and refining, a considerable portion of the precious metals will be temporarily absorbed by the crucibles and fluxes, and mixed with the ashes of the furnace and the sweepings of the floors. A large amount of material thus accumulates, from which, by some method, the precious metals must be recovered. The amount thus recovered at this office is about \$200,000 per year. A portion still remains, however, mixed with the materials which have been subjected to the processes employed. This residuum is technically termed ‘ sweep,’ and it has been the practice of the government to sell this sweep to the smelters of this country and of Europe.”

It has been proved to your committee that the method employed in minting operations, previously to the invention and employment of Mr. Kent’s apparatus, for the purpose of recovering the precious metals thus accumulated, was exceedingly imperfect and defective. It was very prejudicial to the health of persons exposed to the operation, by reason of the large quantities of fine dust liberated in sifting—so much so, in one instance, as to cause death. It was expensive, requiring a large amount of labor, crucibles, and fluxes ; and it occasioned a very considerable per centage of yearly loss in the “ sweep ” sold, namely, about ten to twelve cents per pound.

Mr. Kent’s apparatus was introduced, at his request, into the assay office at New York, in July, 1855, with a view of testing its merits.

It was designed by the inventor to lessen, or avoid, all the difficulties above stated, particularly by recovering a much larger portion of the precious metals from their admixture with the substances, so to impoverish the *sweep* as to diminish the per centage of loss on its sale.

The apparatus proved so successful, in all particulars, as to induce the director of the mint at Philadelphia to direct an examination and report upon its merits. The report was of so favorable a character as to lead to its subsequent introduction, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, into the principal minting establishments of the United States, in all of which it has since continued in constant use.

The testimony furnished by Mr. Kent, which accompanies his petition and this report, comes principally from the officers of the mint at Philadelphia and the assay office at New York, and establishes, to the entire satisfaction of your committee, the great importance of the apparatus in minting operations. It accomplishes all the purposes for which it was designed.

Mr. Butterworth, in the communication before cited, says :

“Mr. Kent’s invention effects a saving of two-thirds the labor required by the old process ; it supersedes almost entirely the expensive operations of fluxing, owing to the thoroughness with which it separates the precious metals from the sweeps ; and, by impoverishing the sweeps to one-tenth their former value, it effects a very material diminution of the loss on their sale in the market. I am satisfied that the saving to the government, effected by Mr. Kent’s invention, at this office alone, is about \$6,000 per year.”

The evidence is equally conclusive that, by avoiding the dry sifting, this apparatus relieves the workmen from all the deleterious effects upon health produced by the old process.

By calculations made at the mint and assay office, there can be no reasonable doubt that the saving to the government effected by Mr. Kent’s apparatus, at those two establishments, will amount, in the fourteen years of his patent, to a sum exceeding \$120,000. Estimating an equal saving at the other establishments, which the witnesses assume to be a fair basis of calculation, the whole benefit derived by the government from this important invention, during the continuance of the patent, will exceed \$240,000.

It is quite obvious that the use of Mr. Kent’s apparatus is of too much importance and value to be dispensed with in the minting operations of the government. It is equally obvious that it can only be used legally with his consent. Were it otherwise, there is no reason why the United States should not afford him a just and reasonable compensation for great benefits received through his labor and ingenuity. One of the witnesses (Mr. Terry) who has been connected with the assay office from its commencement, says in a letter to Mr. Kent: “Your apparatus is constructed on the soundest principles of mechanical and chemical science, and is, I think, hardly susceptible of much improvement.”

All the principal officers connected with both the establishments before named concur in the opinion that Mr. Kent is honestly entitled to remuneration, and that the continued use of his apparatus in

all the minting operations of the United States cannot be dispensed with.

The case is not without precedent. The sum of \$2,500 was heretofore appropriated by Congress for the purchase of the perpetual right to use, in the mint and branch mints of the United States, an apparatus invented by Rufus Tyler for counting coins.—(U. S. Statutes, vol. 5, p. 688.)

The petitioner thinks that he is entitled to receive from the government the amount of \$20,000 for the perpetual right to use his apparatus in all the minting establishments of the United States. Taking into consideration the great benefits conferred, the fact that this sum is only one-twelfth of the amount which will be actually saved to the government through his instrumentality, and the very limited compensation which he will be likely to receive from other quarters, your committee think his demand not unreasonable, and accordingly report a bill for his relief.

Mr W Batchelor

7th St Road. 3 miles beyond

Francis P. Blair

1st cross House on right hand
side, after passing Mr Blair.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MARCH 23, 1860.

Reported without amendment, committed to a Committee of the Whole House,
and ordered to be printed.

AN ACT

For the relief of Edward N. Kent.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he hereby, is
4 authorized and directed to pay to Edward N. Kent, of New
5 York, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appro-
6 priated, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, in full compen-
7 sation for the perpetual use, in all the present and future
8 minting establishments of the United States, of the apparatus
9 for separating gold and other precious metals from foreign
10 substances, of which the said Edward N. Kent is the inventor
11 and patentee : *Provided*, The said Edward N. Kent shall
12 have first secured to the United States the perpetual use of
13 the said apparatus as aforesaid, to the satisfaction of the Sec-
14 retary of the Treasury.

Passed the Senate March 2, 1860.

Attest :

ASBURY DICKINS, *Secretary.*

AN ACT

For the relief of Edward N. Kent.

MARCH 23, 1860.—Reported without amendment, committed to a Committee of the Whole House, and ordered to be printed.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, March 1. st 1860

Copies

Referring to the papers herewith
submitted to your examination
I am glad to hear your
views upon the following points

1. As to the ex. of es. of a b. h. as h. g.
2. The ex. of putting it into operation
3. The probable annual expense
4. Any other general remarks bearing
upon the subject.

C. R. I. R. V.

One to M. & R. }
One to A. J. C. A. } L. S. must

To J. C. Booth Esq
+
J. R. Eckford Esq

Question in
connection with
proposed bill
for N. Y. & R.
Mut

Mar 1, 1860

Treasury Department
May 24. 1860

Sir

I enclose a transfer draft
on the Treasurer of the Mint in favor of
the Assistant Treasurer at St. Louis for \$300 payable
in one cent coins which he please to cause to
be sent to Saint Louis by Adams Express Co.

I am very Respectfully
Yours
No. 11 6066
Sec. of the Treasury.

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia.

Sec. of Treasury

Washington

May 24/60

Treasury Department
Comptrollers Office
May 24th 1860.

James Ross Snowden Esq^r,
Director U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your a/c for the
manufacture of Medals for the yr ending 31st
of Dec 1859, has this day been adjusted at the
Treasury per per Rep to 137.157; and a balance
found to be due from you to the United States of \$2,664.80.
which agrees with your a/c current.

Very Respectfully

Your obt servt

W. M. A. D.

Comptroller

From
Hon H Medill
Comptroller
Washington City

Adjustment
of Medals &c
Quarter ending
December 31, 1860.

May 25, 1861

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, May 23 1860

To the Director of the Mint.

The following is my Report of Assays of cent ingots, for the month of April.

April		Percent.	April		Percent.
		Nickel			Nickel
6	40 Melts, mint	12.2	18	27 Melts, mint	12.1
7	27 " "	12.2	19	27 " "	12.0
"	22 boxes, Keweenaw	12.4	20	27 " "	12.3
9	27 Melts, mint	11.9	21	26 " "	12.1
11	21 " "	12.3	23	27 " "	12.1
12	27 " "	12.6	24	14 " "	12.2
13	27 " "	12.4	25	29 " "	11.7
14	24 " "	12.3	26	29 " "	11.8
16	21 " "	12.2	27	29 " "	12.0
17	14 " "	12.0			

Comprising nos 1504 to 1959.

J. R. Eckfeldt
Assayer.

(over)

Assay office, U.S. mint
May 23. 1860.

Hon. J.R. Snowden

Director &c &c.

Sir

Agreeably to instructions
in the case, I have to report a proper atten-
tion ^{to} ~~of~~ duty, on the part of persons employed
in this department of the Mint, during the
month of April.

Respectfully
yours vlt. servt.
J. V. Eckfeldt
Assayer.

Report
of
Assayer for
April, 1860

Rochester NY

May 21st 1860

Mr Snowden

Dr Sir

Shall you strike off any new pieces, this year? i. e., any pattern pieces or anything different than what the "master coins" of this year are. If so, is there any way that I can get any. If there has not been any struck off, or if there should be; Will you, if you please, inform me? and very much oblige.

Yours Respectfully
J M Malbridge

Dr Malbridge
Rochester
N.Y.

Specimen Recd

May 23. 1860.

From ~~Is~~

~~Francis Marion~~

Franklin Reese

Ilion

N.Y.

Enclosing letter recd
from dead letter

Office which was
made & in Nov last
to Ithaca by mistake

May 21, 1860

Slint of the United States,
Philadelphia,

186

May 21. 60.

Dear Sir,

The enclosed letter
was mailed to you at Ithaca by
mistake ^{inadvertently} and was returned
from the post office
a few days since. Please
ack. receipt to this.

Very Respectfully,
James Rapchowan
Director

for A R Linderman

Franklin Rose Esq.,
Ithaca,
N.Y.

100th May 1864

Sir

Will you please inform
us whether we can obtain three
cent pieces at the mint, in
lieu of gold, & oblige

Yours Most Obedt
Wm Dorr Taylor
of the Mint

Ex

From To
Hogg Brown Taylor
Boston

Exchange 3.14
per 100

May 22, 1860

May 21, 0.

Gentlemen,

In reply to your recent letter I
have to state that in exchanging 3 cent pieces
for gold to a reasonable amount, for the purpose
of supplying the public with change.

Very Respectfully,
James Ross Snowden

Director of the Mint.

Messrs Hogg Brown & Taylor, for N. B. L
Boston,
Mass

Duplicate

Philadelphia, May 18th 1860

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.
NICKEL.
COPPERAS.
BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN MCDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

11 4 Cases Nickel Alloy
Containing 719.38¹⁶ Nickel @ \$1.50
Correct 229.87¹⁶ Copper @ 25¹⁶/_{cs}
Jas H Booth }
M. & R. }
949.25

1079 07
5862
\$ 1137 69

No. 201

Received Payment
From McDowell Jr & Co

2

J. A. Book

M & R

W & M

order to supply the
Comer with Bullion
for the good ~~now~~ and 30
Silver medals for
Japanese Embassy

May 17, 1860.

May 17. a

Dear Sir,

I have to request that you will furnish the Chief Coiner, with the least possible delay, the proper amount of gold and silver bullion, for the manufacture of two gold and thirty silver medals for the Japanese Embassy. The medals are 100 copies of the gold medal furnished the Department of State a few days since.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Anderson
Director of the Mint,
for St. Louis

James F. Booth Esq.
Mint & Refiner,
U. S. Mint

May 17, 1860

United States Appraisers' Office,

Port of Boston, May 10th 1860.

My Dear Sir: I have just been favored with a look at one of the Washington Medals, in Bronze, which my friend Mr. Pratt, of this City, received from you - and am desirous to have one for my Cabinet - will you be kind enough to suggest something wanting in the Mint Collection - for which you would be willing to exchange?

Very Respectfully, Yours,

Josh Colburn.

J. Ross Snowden Esq.,
Director U.S. Mint.

From
Jereh Colburn
Boston
Mass

Request
Cabinet Medal

May 18. 1860

May 18, 0.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 16th inst
to the Director of the Mint, who is temporarily
absent from the City, has been received and
will be submitted to him on his return.

Very Respectfully,
A. R. Linderman
Director of the

Leitch Colburn Esq.,
U. S. Appraisers Office,
Boston,
New York.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

May 16. 1860

Sir

I herewith enclose receipt and invoice of six boxes Silver bullion, transmitted this day by the Adams Express Company, of the net value of \$13,874.56 contains gold \$455.05 net, for which I will thank you to remit respectively, Silver dollars, and double eagles.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Clegg

Treasurer.

P.S. Mr Cisco Jr. will feel

obliged if you will include in

your remittance, a copper cent and two half cents of

the coinage of 1857 U.S. for a cabinet collection.

J H Walton Esq

Treas^r U.S. Mint. Phil^a

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

May 16 / 60

Original.

No. 29.

New York, May 16th 1860

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia

Two boxes of Silver bullion,
of the net value of Fourteen Thousand five hun-
dred & thirty two & 6/100 Dollars.

\$14,532.61
100

John Hoey
For the Adams Express Company.

To
Hon Stouck Cobb,
Sec Treasury

Absence from the meet
for two weeks. - Will
be represented at the
Meet by my principal
clerk.

May 15, 1860

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia,

186

Jan 12, 1860

Received of
J. H. Smith
the sum of \$100.00
for the purchase of
gold coins

per receipt

70
I have appointed a commission
on behalf of the President of the
Finance Assembly (F.A.) which meets in
Rochester, N.Y. on Thursday next.
I did not go to Rochester tomorrow and ex-
pect to be absent about two weeks. The
business of the Assembly usually occupies about
that time.

During my absence I will be
represented by my private clerk, Mr.
Henry R. Linderman. I will be in daily
communication with him, and can also
be reached by telegraph in case of
necessity.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,

Wm. H. Hunt
Sec. of the Treasury
Washington.

Yours faithfully,
Samuel R. Thompson,
Director of the Mint.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, May 10, 1860

copy

The Chief Clerk will cause
the 27th Rule to be strictly
observed; and report
any violation of the same.
(Signed) James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint

page 22 Mint pamphlet.

Instructions

Director

to

Chief Clerk

to Case 27

Rule to be strictly
observed

May 10. 1860

"Specie File"

Instructions

them have been sent.
information on the above points &c. with
greatly oblige
Your obedient Servant

@Dowden

Col. Snowden

Newark N.J.

14 May 1860

Sir,

The number of cents in circulation is so immense, & is so rapidly increasing as to be an intolerable nuisance. The traders & others of Newark are about to petition Congress to stop their further issue, & if possible to redeem some of those already in circulation.

To show them the propriety of the appeal we wish to lay before them correct information on the following points. How many cents have been issued each month during the year past from 1st May ult? How many in exchange for copper cents, & how many for United States Gold & silver coin, & how many for foreign coins or bullion, & how many directly on account of the mint or government itself? & will you also inform me to what sections of the country most of

May 19. 0.

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 14th inst.

The evil which you complain of (and which is a source of complaint from other quarters) is one over which neither the Mint nor the Government has any control, under the existing law. The remedy is in the hands of the holders of Spanish coin. If instead of sending the same to be exchanged for cents, they will order the return to be in silver, then our cent coinage would be limited to an exchange for the old copper cent, and would be within due bounds. But this many of them will not do. The slight gain between the return in cents, and the return in silver coin, turns the balance in favor of the former, and thus the country, at least the Eastern section of it, is unduly burdened. By the limitation of the law, this option will cease next February, and we shall thereafter issue cents in exchange only for ~~old~~ copper coin of old issues. I may here remark that

no objection to the repeal, by Congress, at
its present session, of the law so far as it
relates to the receipt of Spanish & Mexican
coin, has or will be made by the Mint.

I presume it will answer your purposes
to have the amount of new cents coined and the
amount received therefor in old copper cents
and in Spanish silver. As for their distribution
they are sent in all directions, through Express
companies and otherwise; not however to
the South & South West.

Very Respectfully,
James Robt Snowden
Director
for H. R. Linderman

Mr J. Snowden,
Newark,
N. J.

Col Snowden is absent
from the city. —

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia,

186

From To

6 Bowden

Newark

New Jersey

~~over~~

Stensue of cuts &c

May 19, 1860

Sullivan May 14 1890

Dear Sir

Enclosed is some ore which
I wish you to have analyzed and inform me
what kind of metal it is we cannot ascertain
what it is as we have found a large quantity
of it we wish to know

Please Direct to B. S. Kew Sullivan
Tioga County Pa.

Yours Truly

B. S. Kew

This is simply an iron ore, & contains
no precious metals.

Sincerely.

From To

B. J. Reid

Sullivan

Pa

Specimen given
me

May 18, 1860.

May 15, 0

Dear Sir,

The sample enclosed in
your letter of the 14th inst is simply an
iron ore and contains no precious metals.

Very Respectfully
James R. Snowden
Director
p. H. R. Linderman

Mr B. J. Rur,
Sullivan,
Toga Co. Pa.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York, May 11th 60

Sir

I have to advise receipt this
day by Adams Express Co of \$18,000
in silver dollars on acct Invoice No
20.

Very respectfully

J. H. J. C. Secy
Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philad.

Pres. assay Off

N. York

May 11/60

New York May 11. 1860
Wm J. Crossword
Pres^t W. A. Mint
Dear Sir

I am duly
in receipt of yr very esteemed favor
of yesterday's date.

First in reply to please
to rec^d my thanks for yr very kind
considerations relative to my advice
of the 4th inst.

When the "Bronze medals"
are finished will you have the kindness
to inform me ^{as also enclose bill} at which time will
further communicate with you as
regards their destinations as also the
payment therefor. Needs waiting
rich and this pleasure again I am

Dear Sir with great regards
Yrs Truly
Hayden Hopkins

From
Lloyd Stoppin Ey
New York

Manufacture of Brown
Medals for Penn Dist.
But to be sent to
M^r St. at N.Y.

May 12. 1860.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York, May 12th 1869

Sir

I am in receipt this day from
Adams Express Co, of \$13.100.00 in Silver
Dollars and \$23.01. - in Gold Coins
in full for balance of Invoice No 28.

Very respectfully

Wm. H. C. C.

Wearner

J. W. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treat. array off

N. York

May 12/60

Total,

9a. When trust funds are deposited in other banks are they placed therein as individual deposits in the name of the bank as trustee?
If not, did you instruct bank?

10. Does bank receive in the trust department deposits of current funds subject to check or the deposit of checks, drafts, etc., for collection or exchange purposes?

11. Are all investments of trust funds authorized or approved by the directors or a committee of same especially designated for that purpose?

12. Is opinion of competent counsel obtained and filed in all important matters pertaining to trusts, both individual and corporate?

13. Where trust instruments specify character of investments, are investments made in accordance with such provisions?

14. Where trust instruments expressly leave investments to discretion of bank or its officers or directors, in what manner are investments authorized or approved, and in what manner is such authority or approval recorded?

15. Where trust instruments neither specify nor expressly leave the character of investments to the bank, its officers, directors, etc., are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?

16. Where trusts are under court order, are investments made strictly in accordance with the terms thereof?

17. Where court has by general order left investments to discretion of bank, or if in such cases general discretion is permitted by the laws of the State, are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?

18. Have any trust funds been loaned to any officer, director, or employee of the bank?

19. Are trust funds invested in securities or concerns in which officers, directors, or employees are interested? If so, list in detail.

20. Has the trust department, in any case, purchased from the banking department any of its assets as investments for trust funds, or has the trust department sold to the banking department any trust assets? If so, give full information and details.

21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?

22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?

23. List criticisms, if any.

May 9.th 0.

Sir,

As we are now having the
Cent receipts on demand, it is deemed
expedient that the certificates should
be compared with the weight book
in the Cent house by the Asst. Secy.
Ayer, who will also write across
the face of the certificate, in
red ink, the amount of the
same.

I am very respectfully
Yours at! Servant,

James W. Buchanan,

James H. Walter Esq. Dir. of the Mint
Bureau of the Mint.

To
James H Wallin Esq
Treasurer
U S Mint

Instructions to have
cert receipts countersigned
by act. Sup^y Cert House

May 9, 1860.

Special File
"Instructions"

New York May 9. to
Wm J. Cross Annuity
Treas^r U. S. Min^o
Dear Sir

In the month
of Dec^r last I called upon you in
relation to having struck Six Bronze
Medals of the Penn^a Institute at which
time you observed that you did not
know how soon they could be executed
but as soon as it was accomplished
you would inform me. Since I have
not heard from you until the day
through one of the officers ^{Personal Collingridge} of the Institute
stating that a bill had been left with
Mr. Gros (State Actuary) for Six Silver
Medals amounting to \$15.00. By this there
seems to have been a misunderstanding
on your or your employees part regarding
the metal to be used as I am very
confident that I gave the order for Bronze
as at the moment I stated that I
wished to have them struck as cheap as

as possible and less than a dollar as
I believe that the first new struck
for about 50 ct but in this case of so
small a quantity expected to pay an
advance.

I regret to have given you
so much trouble in this matter I esteem
a great favor. but am at a loss to know
how to proceed in the affair as it now
stands as those of our members who
wished Bronze Medals with myself
would decline to take them as being
young men with small capitals would
deem it extravagant.

Will you have the
kindness to communicate to me so of
your most excellent advice on this
subject And waiting no more and
the pleasure again I am Dear Sir

With great regards
Yrs Truly
Hoyden Hopkins

Direct Care of Van Dyke, Townsend & Harner
New York

From Do

Lloyd Stoppin
New York

Even in making
Silvia Medley, instead
of Bump for Penn
Isst.

May 10, 1860.

May 10. 0.

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of
the 9th inst.

It appears to have been a misun-
derstanding in relation to your order for medals.
But it will make no difference. I will retain
the silver medals, and have a corresponding
number ~~now~~ ^{at some other} of bronze medals made for you.
Please advise me, as to whom the medals,
shall be delivered when finished.

Very Respectfully,
James A. G. Thompson.
Director of the Mint.

Lloyd Hoppin Esq
Care Van Wyck, Townsend Warren
New York

Treasury Department
May 9, 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of and to return you my thanks for the very handsome medal received with your letter of the 25th instant.

Permit me to suggest whether it would not be well to acknowledge the compliment received from the Senate of Hamburg in presenting the medal sent to the Department by that body.

If you have a copy to spare it might be transmitted to Mr. Schumacher the Consul General at Baltimore - with the compliments of the Department.

I am very Resp.
Wm. Will Cobb
Sec of the Treasury

J. Ross Snowden Esq.,
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia.

From To ^{by} The Sec Treasury

Act: Receipt of Cabinet
Mellor with thanks,

Suggest that a
medal be sent to
the ~~Cabinet~~ Senate
of Hamburg

May 11, 1860.

May 10. 0.

Sir,

In compliance with the suggestion
expressed in, your favor of yesterday I
enclose herewith a Washington Caloric
Medal, to be presented to the Senate of
Hamburg through Mr. Schumacher, the
Consul General.

In sending the Medal to Mr.
Schumacher it may be well for the
Department to state that a collection of
all the Medallion memorials of our "Pater
Patrius" has recently been made at the
National Mint, and that this medal
commemorates the placing of these memories
in the Cabinet of the Mint.

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Yours faithfully,

Respectfully,
Hon. Mr.

Amos C. Cobb,

Secretary of the Treasury
Washington City.

United States Appraisers Office,

Boston, Mass.

May 8th, 1860.

Dear Sir:

Your favor is at hand - I would like to have the medal you name - but as the 'Washington before Boston' - has cost me a large sum (it weight upwards of five ounces), I prefer to exchange it for some coin to complete my series - which is wanting - Dollar of 1804. 1/4 - 1823, 1829, Half dime 1802. Half Cents - 1842, 1852.

Our 'Numismatic Society' have requested Hon. C. S. Adams, M.C. (who has a fine collection of medals), to urge a compliance with your suggestion to the Secy - for the re-striking of our National Medals.

Very Respectfully Yours,

Joseph Colburn.

J. Ross Snowden, Esq.
Director U.S. Mint.

From To

Leik Colburn
~~Went~~
Boston.

Declines exchanging
Washington before
Boston

Establishment
of medical Dept

May 11, 1860.

May 18.

o.

Dear Sir,

I cheerfully acquiesce in your declining to make the exchange suggested in a former letter.

I am glad to learn that your Nominative Society have taken the action you have indicated in your letter.

I am very respectfully,
Yours &c.

James R. Channing.
Secretary of the Unit.

Leah Colburn Esq
Boston.

chap.

Engravers Dep.^t

Mint of the United States Philad.^a May 8. 1860

Dear Sir

During the month ending April 30.th 1860 with the exception of some interruption by sickness on the part of Mr. Cross, I am able to report the punctual attendance of the workmen employed in my department, and the correct discharge of their several duties.

The service entrusted to Mr. Cross has not been permitted to suffer, and he has been able to attend to all subsequent duties —

Very Respectf.^y Yours &c

James B. Longacre
Eng.^r

J. R. Snowden Esq.^r
Director

Monthly Report
Engraver
April
1860.

To
The Sec Treasury

Presenting him with a
"Cabinet Medal"

May 5, 1860.

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a May 7. 1860.

Sir,

I enclose with my approval a requisition
from H. Millsprange Esq. Acting Superintendent of the
Branch Mint at New Orleans, for Five Thousand
Nine Hundred and Fifty Eight Dollars ⁵³/₁₀₀ (\$5,958.53)
payable out of the balance to the credit of the appropriation
~~for the expenses~~ ^{for the expenses} of that institution, ^{and to meet the expenses thereof} during
the current month.

May 5.

0.

Sir,

For more than a year past I have been engaged in collecting the medallions of Washington, that is to say, a specimen of every medal, medallion, coin or token on which the portrait or bust of Washington appears. I completed the collection on the 22nd of February last, on which day I placed them in the Cabinet. Since then I have caused a medal to be struck to commemorate that event; a specimen of which I send herewith for your acceptance. The obverse presents, as far as one can now determine, a good representation of the *Pater Patriae*. The reverse exhibits a faithful picture of the Washington Cabinet now in the Mint. The execution of the dies is the work of Mr Pasquet, the assistant to the Engraver of the Mint.

Yours, Howell Cobb.

Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City.

I have the honor to acknowledge
your letter of the 22nd of February.

Samuel Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Port Perry May 3 1860
O Ross Snowden Esq

Sir Sir

Presuming there are
in the mint for the disposal to the public at the option
of the Director, quantities of copper coin, will you be
kind enough to confer the favor on me, if not too much
trouble, of sending me the following copper coin by Express
or what portion you have of them

Copper cents of	1793.	95.	96.	97.	99				
	1800.	1	2.	3	4.	5.	6	8.	9
	1810.	11.	14.						
	1821.	24.							
	1830	32.	39	4	1837				

and the nickel cent of 1856

I may not have a sufficient quantity of some to spare
them, but I would like really to have all to complete
my series, and would consider it a lasting favor
by giving the above your attention. Enclosed I send
one gold dollar to pay for same and Express charges
I also enclose stamped envelope, directed for answer
May 8. Circular sent & freed. Long etc servant
dollar returned with P.S. stating
that above prices are not
reserved at the Mint. —

Geo W Murphy

From
Geo W Murphy
Port Perry
Pa

Enclosing \$1.00
and desiring certain
old cents sent. -
Circular sent
to you returned
with explanatory
note.

May 8, 1860

Philadelphia, May 5th 1860

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.
NICKEL.
COPPERAS.
BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN M'DOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

14th 5 Cases Nickel Alloy 1058²⁵/₁₀₀

containing 854.60 lbs Nickel @ \$1.50 1281 90

213.65 lbs Copper @ 25⁰⁰/₁₀₀ 54 48 1/2 1336 38

Correct
Jas C Booth
M & R.

Received Payment

John McDowell & Co

R 112

Philadelphia May 4. 1860.
Col. James Ross Snowden.
Director U. S. Mint.

Dear Sir.

As my Contract with the United States Mint for the supply of Acids expires this month, I beg leave to state that I shall be most happy to renew the Contract for another year at the same price & terms.

If this meets your approbation I shall be pleased to hear from you at your convenience.

I remain Your most

Obedient servant.
David Phillips

From L

Mon Phillips

Acad Manuf^a
Phile^a

Proposition to
renew contract for
supplying the mint

with acids for one
year from 1st proximo
on same terms price

Accepted

May 4. 1860,

"Contracts"

May 4.

0.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of this date offering to renew your contract to supply acid to the Mint for another year from the 1st prox: at the same price and terms. The offer you make is accepted, and you may call on the Mint at your convenience to execute an agreement,

I am very respectfully

Yours sincerely &c. &c. &c.

James R. Thompson;
Director of the Mint.

Mr. Thos Phillips.
Phila.

Topskham, May 4, 1860

Gent Sirs,

Please inform
me at what rate you can for-
ward me \$100 worth of new half
dollars. Sending as you think best
and prepaying.

Also be kind enough to
let me know on what denomination
of coin you make the most discount.

Yours Respectly

Alfred W. Dennett

Topskham, Maine

May 8, 1860

Answered by Circular
with explanatory note that
no ~~den~~ denomination of U. S. coin
are paid out or exchanged at the
U. S. Mint at a discount.

From To
Alfred W. Bennett
Yorsham
Maine

Exchange &

May 8, 1860.

Treasury Department
May 3. 1866.

Sir

I send by this Mail to your address the copy of the Medal referred to in the enclosed copy of a letter received from the Consul General of Hamburg - to be placed in the Cabinet of Coins and Medals attached to the Mint.

I am very Respectfully
Wm. C. C. C.
Sec of the Treasury

J. Ruf. Snowden Esq.
Director of the Mint.
Philadelphia.

From To

Hon Howell Cobb

Sec Treasury

Enclosing Medal

presented by consul

General Hamburg

May 5. 1861,

May 3. 93 0.

Sir,

I have received your favor of the 3rd inst, and by the same mail the medal herein referred to.

It is a very handsome medal, and will be placed in the Cabinet of the Mint in accordance with your request.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,

Yours faithfully & obediently,
Samuel R. Anderson.
Director of the Mint.

Wm. D. Smith Esq.,

Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City.

Consulate General of the
free Hanseatic City of Hamburg

The Senate of Hamburg have trans-
-mitted to me one of a limited number of copies in Bron-
-ze of a Gold medal recently struck off in honor of M^r
Vincent Rumpff, as an acknowledgement of the val-
-uable services rendered by him to his native City, and
to the other free, and Hanseatic Cities as their represen-
tative at Vienna, at Frankfurt, at Paris and in the
United States, and they have instructed me to have
the same placed in the principal National Collection
of Coins and Medals in this country.

In furtherance of this object I beg to transfer the
Medal to you and to request that you will select
the proper depository for it. The Cabinet of Coins
and Medals attached to the United States Mint
at Phil^a has been mentioned to me as the most
appropriate destination for the gift, but of that
you can form the best judgment.

Very Respectfully
J Schumacher
Consul General

Hon. Howell Cobb,
Secretary of Treasury
Washington City.

United States Appraisers' Office,

Boston, Mass.

May 25, 1860.

Dear Sir:

I have the Washington Evacuation medal in silver. I think that it quite rare - if you would like it. I would propose an exchange - as I think it would be one of the gems of your collection.

Very Respectfully, Yours,

Josh Colburn.



James Ross Snowden Esq.
Director U. S. Mint.

From L
Jeremiah Colburn
Boston
Mass

"Washington medals"

Exchange Evacuation
Medals for Cabinet
Medals

May 5. 1860

Dear Sir,
I think it would be very well
to place a "Burlington before Boston" in
your collection rather than the
Burlington. I have your fine offer; and
as an exchange I propose to send
you a cabinet medal in silver.
It is one I have struck to commemorate
the immigration of the Burlington
collection on the 22nd of Feb 1860.
It is a large and beautiful medal
and weighs upwards of three ounces.
If this is satisfactory you may send
to me by express David Burlington.

Very Respectfully

Jesse O. Fernald,

Samuel R. Fernald.

Jonathan Colburn Esq. Secretary of the Mass
Bureau.

Wash.

Min^l of the Antislavery
Phil^a May 5. 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York, May 24th

Sir,

I am in receipt this day
of \$61,757.50 gold Coins in full
for Invoice No 27 -

My letter of advice in relation
to the 13 boxes Silver forwarded on
the 1st inst, was held for postage,
but will have been received by you
ere this -

Very respectfully

Wm. J. Geo

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint

$$\begin{array}{r}
 112 \\
 35 \\
 83 \\
 44 \\
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 274 \\
 212 \\
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 486
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Treas. Assay Off

N. York

May 3/60

Chief Comiers Office

May 2nd 1860

To

Wm^{ce} I Ross Snowden

Director

I enclose the usual monthly

Return of absence and lateness. Mess^{rs} Foreman and Van Horn have each been absent the entire month in consequence of Sickness, and I am informed that there is little hope of Mr Foreman ever being able to resume work -

The accompanying report of wastage in this department for the months of March and April exhibits a decrease of wastage in the Gold workings; but the wastage in the Silver workings is not so favorable, due probably to the character of the Silver lately received. The surface of the strips after rolling is much blistered, and the edges of the strips rough and serrated. All the Rolls as also in the cutting and subsequent operations of coniage the rough edges and flakes from the blisters are torn off and will enter into and enrich the Sweep.

Very Resp^{ly}
Geo J^r Phelps

Return of absence and lateness in Chief
 Clerks Department for April 1860

Names	Sickness	Private Business	To attend Funeral	no excuse tendered
Kensil Mr.	5 ^d			
Rowan P.		1 ^d		
Dankorn H.	25 ^d			
Batchelor C.		2 ^d		
Buiker Mr.	1 ^d			
Forman H.	25 ^d			
Gunnis	1 ^d			
Jackson	1 ^d			
Canby	2 ^d			
Prenot			6 ^d	
Tompkins	1 ^d			
Solley	1 ^d			
Quinn				1 ^d
	62 ^d	3 ^d	6 ^d	1 ^d Total 72 days absence

Wastung
April 1860

Minist of the United States.
Philadelphia May 1. 1860.

Sir,

As required by the 12th section of the Act of the
6th of August 1846 and the regulations of the Department,
I made on the 30th ult^o, examination of the books, accounts
and money on hand in the Office of the Asst. Treasurer of the
U. S. at Philadelphia, and found the following balances
as set out in margin:

General Treasury Fund	\$528,929.82
Post Office Monies	94,482.73
U. S. Loans	24,504.49
Coupons	25,785.00
Distances Fund	61,353.20
	\$735,055.24

Corresponding with the balances as stated
upon the account Books in his office.

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Your faithful servant,

Samuel R. Anderson
Director of the Mint

Hon. Howell Cobb,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City,

Mint of the United States
Phila: May 1, 1860.

Sir,

The usual monthly count and examination made at the close of business on the 31st inst exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint, viz:

In Gold Coins and bars.	\$ 38,115.62
In Silver Coins and bars.	54,413.98
In Cut Coins	14,154.97
In Ordinary Fund	44,752.26
In San Francisco Br. Mint Fund	421.50
	<u>\$151,858.33</u>

Agreeing with the balances as stated upon his books of account.

An examination at the same time into the condition of the Mint generally gave satisfactory evidence that the business of the institution is conducted with fidelity & care.

Yours H. M. C. C. C.

Secretary of the Treasury.

I have the honor to acknowledge with great respect, Your faithful servant,

James R. Thompson
Director of the Mint.

To the Hon

Members of the
and Examination

~~And~~

May 1, 1860.

May 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

May 1st 1860

Sir,

I enclose Adams Express Co
Receipt for 1 Box Silver Bullion,
net value \$33,541.86, containing
Gold \$2381 - Please remit for
the former, Silver Dollars & Double
Eagles for the gold.

Very respectfully,

J. H. Scofield
Treasurer

J. H. Walton, Esq

Near U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Pres. assay of

N. York

May 1/60

Original.

No. 28.

New York, May 1st 1860

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia Twelve boxes of Silver bullion,
of the net value of Thirty three thousand five
Hundred & forty one 00/100 Dollars.
\$33,541.00.

John Hoey
For the Adams Express Company.

THE BEST FAMILY NEWSPAPER

NEW YORK,

NEW YORK, *May 1* 1860.

Col. J. A. Rogers from New
York

See Sir

I feel much indebted

to you for your present of the
Nickel Cent of 1858. Indian Head.

Any thing I can do for
you in this City - will be
a pleasure to me -

Very Respy

Every successive number will contain a complete and reliable account of all the news, both Foreign and Domestic, Secular and Religious, and of the progress of the cause of Temperance and Non-Resistance, together with intelligence from all Religious Denominations—such as Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Congregational, Reformed Dutch, Unitarian, Universalist, Episcopalian, and Roman Catholic.

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Return of absence lateness & overtime in
Chief Comier's Department for May 1860 -

Names of Workmen	Sickness	Without excuse	With leave of Director
Kensil		7 ²	
Monillo -	7 ²		
Vanhorn -	27		
Barchelder -	2		
Collins -	2		
Gunnis -	1		
McGittigan -	2.		
Canby	1.		
McGrann			6.
Shaffer	3.		
Hackett -			9.
Guy	1		
Gunn	2.		
	<u>48</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>15</u>

= 70 days

Overtime

Lawrence H.	8 h.
Magrini's	2.3 ^h
Slaw	2.5 ^h
O'Donald -	2.3 ^h

Charles Lincoln
Asst to Comier

Return of absence
lateness & overtime
of
workmen in Foundry
Department
for
May 1860

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